

RUSSIANS REPORT ADDITIONAL GAINS; IMPORTANT ALLIED ADVANCE IN ITALY

AMERICAN FIFTH ARMY HAMMERING OUT NEW ADVANCES

SAN PIETRO CAPTURED AFTER DAYS OF FURIOUS FIGHTING

By JOSEPH DYNAN
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Dec. 20.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army, which captured the heavily fortified village of San Pietro after three days of furious fighting, has hammered out new gains toward San Vittore, next strong defense on the road to Cassino, and in the mountains to the northeast has registered gains up to two miles, allied headquarters announced today.

Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's Eighth Army, supported by tanks, overran an enemy position in the sector along the Adriatic coast, inflicting severe losses, while advancing about a mile further inland and capturing the village of Consoli, six miles from Orsogna. Montgomery's artillerymen knocked out five German Mark IV tanks bringing to 43 the total of German tanks destroyed since the start of the Sangro river battle. Of these at least 30 were Mark IVs, the largest the Germans have employed in Italy.

Fifty German paratroopers were captured from a group recently transferred from the central mountainous terrain to bolster the Eastern defenses.

Difficult Terrain.
Fifth army troops north of Venafro in the Italian peninsula's hill backbones were blasting their way through the difficult terrain and forcing enemy forces to give ground in what a military commentator characterized as a "hurried departure."

The advancing allies found many enemy dead buried in the mountain passes where the German-American artillery fire had sprayed them with steel.

French troops in the central sector were said to be putting up a spirited fight for one mountain pass.

Heavy losses suffered by the Germans' 90th light armored division, which had been threatened that unit with extinction.

A spokesman said reports from the Eighth army front showed this division has lost about half its infantry strength.

One battalion of the division's 361st regiment had been consolidated, it was said, and 2,400 infantrymen from the division's two infantry regiments had been killed, wounded or taken prisoner.

The division was part of Marshal Erwin Rommel's Africa Corps until it was wiped out by the Eighth army. It was reconstituted in Corsica and transferred to the mainland.

Texas Strife Enemy.
Maj. Lewis W. Chick of Twin Sisters, Blanco county, Texas, strafed.

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AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS BLAST AT GERMANY BY DAY

ATTACK COMES FROM WEST AND SOUTH AS BRENNER PASS ROUTE HIT

LONDON, Dec. 20.—(AP)—American heavy bombers struck from the west at much-battered northwest Germany in daylight today in a quick follow-up to yesterday's Mediterranean-based allied bomber assaults on Frankfurt and Augsburg, 20 miles northwest of Munich, on the Brenner Pass route.

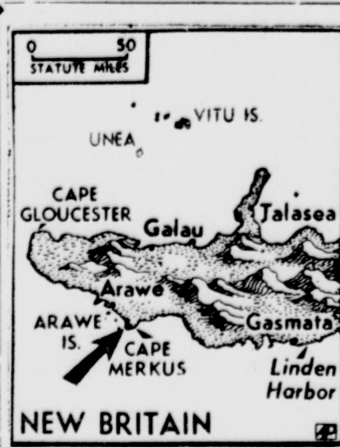
The big American planes were escorted by fleet fighters again in their renewed onslaught on their favorite recent targets—Hitler's U-boat nests and the shipbuilding ports of the North Sea. Specific targets were not named immediately.

Yesterday's first blow in the one-punch attack from the west and south was made through fierce fighter opposition. The Germans threw up more than 100 planes in a futile attempt to halt the Liberator and Flying Fortress formations winging in from the south.

Thirty-seven of the attackers were shot down in flames and 22 others probably were destroyed to a loss of 16 Mediterranean-based allied planes during the day's operations. Some of the missing allied fliers were believed to have landed in friendly territory.

Rail Yards Blasted.
The Innsbruck railway yards were subjected to a great and accurate bombardment, said the allied communique from Algiers. In addition to the blows at Innsbruck, which lies just north of the Brenner, and at Augsburg, Mediterranean-based planes pounded rail communications at Foligno, Perugia and Arezzo in Central Italy, the Terni railway junction, and harbors and shipping in the Adriatic and off Italy's west coast, including Civitavecchia, northwest of Rome, and San Pietro in the Adriatic.

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SCENE OF U. S. OCCUPATION—Map locates Cape Merkus in the Arawe sector of New Britain island. General MacArthur's headquarters announced Dec. 18 that troops of the U. S. Sixth Army have occupied the entire Cape Merkus Peninsula. (AP wirephoto.)

Local War Plants Business Houses Close Christmas

Business will be practically at a standstill in Corsicana this week-end for the observance of Christmas. Most institutions will observe Saturday, Christmas Day, and Sunday, although drug stores will not be closed all day.

For the first time since Christmas Day, 1941, immediately after Pearl Harbor and the outbreak of the war for the United States, the American Well and Prospecting Company will be closed Saturday and Sunday after two years' steady work without a day lost.

This concern is engaged in defense work.

The Corsicana Cotton Mills will take three days—Friday, Saturday and Sunday—this year.

The Corsicana Retail Merchants Association will be closed all day Saturday and also for New Year's Day, January 1.

Drug store operators said they hoped to observe Sunday hours Saturday and Sunday, but expressed doubt this would be possible because of the prevalence of influenza and other illness in the community.

The City Hall customarily observes Christmas Day, and an official announcement will be made at the city commission session Tuesday afternoon.

The courthouse, except for the law enforcement agencies, will be closed from Thursday afternoon until Monday morning.

The post office will be closed all day Saturday and Sunday, with only incoming and outgoing mail dispatched. All windows will be closed and both city and rural route deliveries will not be made, according to G. C. Hudson, acting postmaster.

Both banks will be closed Saturday, Christmas Day, and Sunday. Schools here closed Friday afternoon for the holidays.

The Sun-Light Publishing Company, publishers of the Corsicana Daily Sun and Semi-Weekly Light, will observe Saturday—its only holiday of the year. The Saturday issue of the Corsicana Daily Sun will not be published.

The public library will close from 1 p. m. Friday until Monday morning for the Christmas observance. The draft boards of Navarro county will be closed Saturday.

Johnson Member Official Party Greet President

Congressman Luther A. Johnson was among the group of high government officials to greet President Franklin D. Roosevelt on his return to the White House Friday following the history-making conference of the leaders of the "Big Three" at Yalta.

This information was received in a letter to Joe Butte, from the Corsicana congressman.

Johnson's letter said in part: "This morning at 8 o'clock they phoned me to be at the White House at 8:15 and I knew in reason it meant the president was returning and at 9:30 he came in."

Johnson is ranking Democratic member and vice-chairman of the house foreign affairs committee.

News From Bedside Churchill All Good

LONDON, Dec. 20.—(AP)—Winston Churchill's "temperature remains normal and the Prime Minister is making satisfactory progress," today's bulletin from his physicians said.

A bulletin released yesterday afternoon said his temperature was normal and that the pneumonia which sent him to bed somewhere in the Middle East was disappearing.

U. S. SIXTH ARMY TROOPS MADE GAINS ON NEW BRITAIN

ALLIES CONTINUED TO HOLD OFFENSIVE ON OTHER FIGHTING FRONTS

By MORRIE LANDSBERG
By The Associated Press.
Capture of a bombed-out Japanese airstrip on the invasion front of New Britain appeared imminent today as U. S. Sixth army troops made new gains on the besieged island with the support of artillery fire and allied planes which ruled the skies above the American bridgehead.

Allied headquarters announced that American forces were approaching the Arawe airfield, offering the prospect of an eventual three-day aerial squeeze against the fortress of Rabaul and other enemy positions along its weakened anchor-base in the Southwest Pacific.

The field, rendered unserviceable by pre-invasion raids, is six miles east of the tip of Cape Merkus peninsula on the southwest coast of New Britain.

Other fighting fronts, the allies continued to hold the offensive. Australian soldiers mopped up enemy remnants in a sector of the Huon peninsula of New Guinea, across the Vitiaz strait from New Britain.

A new push into the jungles of Bougainville, last major Japanese base in the Solomons. And the Chinese captured several more villages in the battle-torn rice bowl of Central China.

Japanese air attacks on Sixth army positions at Arawe diminished, but allied planes kept up the steady assault against the enemy on New Britain as well as in the Marshall islands and the Solomons.

Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., military governor of Hawaii and commander of army forces in the Central Pacific, relaxed Honolulu curfew and dimmed regulations with the statement: "Recent military happenings in the Pacific have strengthened our positions here."

On the other hand, the Berlin radio quoted the Osaka newspaper, Mainichi, as saying "Japanese quarters do not deny the seriousness of the situation" brought by American invasion of New Britain.

Rabaul, it added, must be held under all circumstances.

The Tokyo radio declared that the American invasion of New Britain was a "revolutionary" move.

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JAPANESE AIRSTRIP AT ARAWE MAY BE IN HANDS OF AMERICANS

CREEPING WEB OF AIR BASES GROWING DANGEROUS TO RABAU

By C. YATES McDaniel
ADVANCE ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea, Dec. 20.—(AP)—A steady advance up the Cape Merkus peninsula has "arried American troops to the vicinity of the Arawe airstrip six miles east of the New Britain beaching head they won less than a week ago.

The operation has gone almost "according to plan" since the main force drawn from Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger's Sixth army ashore on the southwest coast of the Japanese-held island last Wednesday morning.

Even enemy reaction to the American landing closely followed the expectations of Allied strategists. Reports from Arawe up to late Saturday referred to the slackening of Japanese divebombers and strafing attacks which began shortly after the invaders gained a foothold at Arawe.

Nipponese planes kept up their raids on a day and night basis but Allied interceptors proved more than a match for them.

Easing of the pressure from the air may be due to failure of the enemy attacks to prevent the expansion of the Sixth's army's beachhead, or to cause sufficient damage of American personnel and equipment to make continuation of the campaign.

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Cotton Ginned To December 13 Totals 10,774,805

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The census bureau reported today that cotton of this year's growth ginned to Dec. 13 totaled 10,774,805 bales, counting round as half bales and excluding linters, compared with 11,744,692 bales to date a year ago, and 9,914,549 bales two years ago.

This year's total crop, as estimated by the Agriculture Department early this month, is 11,478,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight.

Ginnings, with comparative figures for a year ago, include: Louisiana 704,932 and 571,359; Oklahoma 361,622 and 635,474; Texas 2,625,509 and 2,742,134.

COUP OVERTHROWS PRO-ALLIED REGIME OF BOLIVIA MONDAY

INTERESTS OPPOSED TO UNITED STATES POLICIES TAKE OVER GOVERNMENT

By JULIO VALDEZ
LA PAZ, Bolivia, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The pro-Allied Bolivian government of President Enrique Penaranda was overthrown today by a coup d'etat by leaders of the Nationalist Revolutionary movement, an organization described as strongly opposed to the policies of the United States.

President Penaranda, Gen. Miguel Candia, Bolivia's minister of war, Gen. Antonio Ichazo, chief of staff, Minister of Government Victor Paz Estenssoro, and other leaders of the Penaranda government were reported to have been arrested.

The Nationalist organization which engineered the successful coup is made up of elements of the Bolivian army and youth organizations.

Nationalist leaders succeeded in overthrowing the Penaranda government after a gun battle broke out at 3 a. m. in which both machine guns and rifles were heard.

Penaranda, a former finance minister arrested in 1941 in connection with an allegedly attempted Nazi putsch in Bolivia, appealed to the population to assist in "consolidating" the revolution.

German Plot Involved.
The former cabinet minister's arrest in 1941 grew out of what the Penaranda government charged was a plot by Ernst Wendler, the German minister to Bolivia, to provide a communication channel to Germany, supplied with information from Bolivian army officers who favored a totalitarian form of government.

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SENATE DEMOCRATS REVIVE FEUD WHEN GUFFEY STANDS PAT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The feud between senate's northern and southern democrats got its second wind today, Senator Guffey (D-Pa.) asserting he would not be "forced out" as chairman of the party's senatorial committee.

Guffey, who has offered his resignation, told a reporter that he was not going to be placed in the position of being ousted because of attacks that had been made on him for his charge that southern democrats had joined an "unholy alliance" with republicans against the administration's service vote bill.

"I don't want the job," said Guffey, "but I'm not going to be forced out."

Apprised of this, Byrd said he and other southerners would take the initiative in bringing the issue before the senate democratic conference if Majority Leader Barkley (Ky.) does not act soon to supplant the Pennsylvania.

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NEW EUROPEAN INVASION HINTS COME WITH STATEMENT ITALIAN CAMPAIGN FAR BEHIND SCHEDULE

(NOTE: During the temporary absence of DeWitt Mackenzie, this column is being conducted by William Frye of the Washington Bureau.)

By WILLIAM FRYE
Associated Press War Analyst
The hints and promises of a European invasion, getting broader and stronger by the day, have picked up reinforcement from an unexpected quarter—Allied headquarters in Algiers.

A report by Wes Gallagher of the Associated Press makes it clear that the Italian campaign is far behind schedule, that its principal gain has been a network of mainland air bases, and that the western Mediterranean campaign no longer is considered a major offensive.

It has, of course, been obvious for some time that the Anglo-American march on Rome was not packing anything like the punch of the march on Tunisia. The real significance of this report from Algiers lies in its plain statements, passed by military censors, that (1) the Italian surrender turned out to be less important militarily than the Allies had hoped, (2) other theaters now take priority in supplies and troops, and (3) the Allies really don't care now whether they capture Rome or not.

The "bad terrain and unfavorable progress has some validity," says Gallagher, but not as much as these other factors. And nobody now expects a decisive blow to be struck in Italy.



AMERICAN TROOP'S LAND AT ARAWE—Rifles ready, American troops wade ashore for the invasion of New Britain Island at Arawe as the drive to wipe out the strong Jap base at Rabaul progresses. (AP wirephoto via Signal Corps radiophoto.)

16 YOUNG ITALIANS FACING CHARGES OF SABOTAGING ALLIES

WEALTHY GIRL, LAW STUDENT, ACCUSED OF FINANCING PLOT

By WES GALLAGHER
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Dec. 20.—(AP)—Sixteen young Italians, including a wealthy 22-year-old girl and a poetry-dabbling 18-year-old youth, are awaiting trial at Trapani, Sicily, on charges that they sought to sabotage the allied war effort and reestablish secret fascist cells, the American counter-intelligence corps has disclosed.

The girl, Maria D'Alì, a former Rome University law student, who belonged to many fascist youth organizations and was described as a member of one of the wealthiest families in Italy, was accused of financing the plot. Her father, who held a high rank in the fascist party at Trapani, disappeared before the counter-intelligence corps broke up the group.

The leader of the organization was identified as Cataldo Grammatice, 19, a former section chief of the Gioventu Italiana Del Littorio, fascist youth organization, who expressed his hatred of the Americans and British in poems he wrote on the side. Authorities said he admitted having cut communication lines on two occasions.

One of the accused, Pietro Cardillo, 28, who had been employed as chief clerk of the fascist organization in Trapani since 1939, was said to have planned an armed revolt.

First indications that some anti-allied organization had been formed in Trapani became apparent on Oct. 14, when mimeographed bulletins were distributed in the city walls, protesting against prevailing conditions, denouncing President Roosevelt and ending with the words "Long live revolution! Sicily!"

The arrests revealed later that the secret group was called "The Committee of Those Faithful to Fascism."

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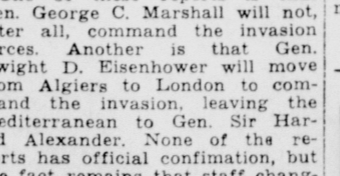
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The colonel happened to have a telephone to his ear when the attack began and he could hear the men in line calling for artillery fire, yelling, "My God, when are we going to get artillery support?"

Within five minutes the artillery was laying down a barrage and mortars were firing into registered targets to help beat off the enemy.

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War At A Glance

RUSSIA—Reds forcing nazis to retreat from Kherson bridgehead. In north, Soviets surging within 57 miles of Latvia.

ITALY—Fifth Army driving toward San Vittore. Eighth Army captures Consoli.

EUROPEAN AERIAL—American heavy bombers strike northwest Germany in daylight. Mediterranean-based allied bombers hit Innsbruck and Augsburg.

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—Americans approaching Arawe airport.

TEXANS HAD BIG PART IN CAPTURE OF SAN PIETRO

ONE OF BLOODIEST AND TOUGHEST BATTLES OF WAR FOUGHT FOR TOWN

By DON WHITEHEAD
SAN PIETRO, Italy, Dec. 18.—(Delayed)—Americans took this shell-torn little town overlooking the valley approaches to Cassino, on the road to Rome, in one of their bloodiest, bitterest and toughest battles of World War II.

The doughboys call it "death valley." Casualties were heavy. The battle began three days ago when the Americans attacked at Mid-day behind a heavy artillery barrage. The capture of the enemy fortress at the bottom of Mount Samucro was recorded as of today.

Led by Capt. Charles Beacham, San Antonio, Tex., one company reached the edge of the town in the first drive but had to withdraw in the face of direct fire.

Two company commanders were killed or wounded and 2nd Lt. Eben C. Bergman of Clifton, Tex., took over their commands and led the troops back deep into the German lines but had to draw back when only seven riflemen were left.

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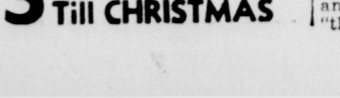
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RED ARMY FORCES SMASHED SOUTHERN ANCHOR NAZI LINE

POWERFUL SOVIET UNITS POURING THROUGH BREAK NORTHERN FRONT

By JUDSON O'QUINN
LONDON, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The Red army has smashed the Southern anchor of Adolf Hitler's Russian front, forcing the Germans to retreat from their Kherson bridgehead at the lower extremity of the Dnieper river, the Berlin radio acknowledged today, while to the north powerful Soviet units, pouring through collapsed Nazi defenses in the Nevel sector in a new winter offensive, surged to within 57 miles of the Latvian border.

The loss of the Kherson bridgehead left the Germans without a good defense prospect short of the Bug river, 30 miles to the rear of the way to Odessa. Announcing the withdrawal, the German broadcast said the crossing of the Dnieper was achieved "without any loss, despite a heavy ice drift."

The big Russian drive in the north, now in its sixth day, has already overrun 500 villages and hamlets and Russian tanks, cavalry and white-robed ski troops today were smashing forward toward Polotsk, key rail junction where the old Polish and Latvian frontiers met.

Clained River Bank.
The Russians drove up to the mouth of the Dnieper early in November during the height of their offensive which walled off their northern outlets from the Crimea and at one time seemed to be holding the entire Eastern bank of the Dnieper.

The Germans, however, asserted that they still held a bridgehead that they eastern bank, across from the town of Kherson, which is on the west side of the stream. The Germans also hold a bridgehead farther up the stream near Kipovka.

The Berlin broadcast said Russian forces attacked unsuccessfully at Kherson Sunday, but "since this bridgehead had become useless, the Germans evacuated the Dnieper river, it was evacuated."

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LONDON SURPRISED THAT GEN. MARSHALL NOT LEAD INVASION

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The bodies of three German soldiers and a Russian who confessed he helped them, were found today from the Russian people swung today from the public gallows in the icy wind of Khar'kov's Square.

The three were hanged at 11 a. m. yesterday, a day following their convictions by a military tribunal of Khar'kov province to see visible proof that the verdict was carried out.

The men hanged were Wilhelm Langheld, a gestapo captain; Hans Ritzl, vice commander of a Storm Troop company; Richard Ratzlaw, gestapo auxiliary police corporal and Mikhail Bulanov, a Russian who served as a chauffeur for the gestapo.

Langheld, Ratzlaw and Bulanov died within three minutes while Ritzl twitched on the gallows five minutes. (The German radio ignored the trials, with their testimony and admissions of mass executions of Russian civilians.)

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Today an editorial in Pravda, Communist party organ, warned Germany that Hitler and his henchmen await the same fate.

"All of them, from the sergeant back to the general, hand it will pay for their deeds in full," declared the editorial, which reviewed with approval the action of the military tribunal.

The question of whether a war against the German people is necessary, the public just doesn't count.

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GERMANS EVACUATE BRIDGEHEAD MOUTH OF DNEPER RIVER

AMERICAN FIFTH ARMY PUSHES BEYOND CAPTURED SAN PIETRO

By RICHARD McMURRAY
Associated Press War Editor.
The German radio said today that the nazis had evacuated their Kherson bridgehead at the mouth of the frozen Dnieper river within 90 miles of the great Black Sea port of Odessa, gateway to Rumania.

Across the icefields of White Russia, the first Baltic army bent ahead in haste, on horse and on ski through a 50 mile gap torn in German lines to a depth of 20 miles. Vitebsk was outflanked and threatened. The Russians were within 20 miles of the rail junction of Polotsk.

The violent new offensive accounted for 20,000 dead, 2,000 captured Germans and 500 captured towns.

The American Fifth Army in Italy advanced as much as two miles in the rugged mountains and pushed on beyond San Pietro to within about six miles of Cassino on the road to Rome. The troops were about 75 or 80 miles from the capital.

Radio France of Algiers said the British had recaptured Orsogna and that the Americans had seized Agnone, west of Fillingiano.

Bomb Southern Germany.
Heavy allied bombers soared over the Alps into southern Germany to attack Augsburg, 20 miles northwest of Munich, and Innsbruck, a railway control point to the Brenner Pass. They knocked down 43 German fighters in air battles in which 16 allied planes were lost.

Some landing in friendly territory. Striking from Britain, massed formations of American heavy bombers and fighters struck north-west Germany to resume their daylight offensive. London had two pre-dawn alarms.

British newspapers accounts told of great fleets of transports carrying a vast American invasion army to Britain and of movements within the island to cross-channel.

Against the German invasion, Marshal Erwin Rommel inspecting anti-invasion defenses.

Marshal Broz's Partisans in Yugoslavia said they were driving the Germans before them in half a dozen sectors, inflicting severe losses.

Demand Abdication of King.
In Naples, 5,000 citizens demanded the abdication of King Vittorio Emanuele in the first free political mass meeting in 20 years. In Sicily, 16 young Italians were arrested as fascist plotters, charged with planning sabotage against the allies.

The German announcement of withdrawal at Kherson was not immediately confirmed by the Russians. It was not clear whether the Russians had taken the city of 83,000, but this was suggested in the German announcement.

"On Dec. 19, the Russians again See EUROPEAN WAR, Page 4.

THREE GERMANS AND RUSSIAN TRAITOR HANGED AT KHARKOV

WERE TRIED AND CONDEMNED TO DEATH FOR WAR ATROCITIES

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WILL THEY GIVE UP?

A war commentator writes: "The Germans extolled war, they started war, and it is a war they shall have — war as they never dreamed of it in their darkest nightmares — war that in five aerial raids destroys nearly half the city of Berlin."

People of more normal races find themselves perplexed as the big war in Europe rushes toward some tremendous climax. More and more, the center of this great fire, which is Germany itself, seems to shrink back upon itself. The Germans must know well by this time that they are doomed if they continue fighting much longer. Soon their outer defenses will be broken and the noose will tighten around them. They are sure to suffer greater and greater blows and privations. What then?

The natural assumption is that they will surrender. But would Hitler ever surrender. Or indeed would the nation of young fanatics trained by him surrender? Or the veteran Prussian generals, whose whole training and tradition is war?

Can it be that Germany will fight to its complete destruction?

THE DAY OF IRAN

Iran or Persia seemed like a backwater location for one of the most important conferences of history. Yet it has not always been so.

In ancient times Persia was the greatest empire in the world. It conquered Asia Minor, Iraq, Egypt and part of India. It boasted of wise and powerful kings like Cyrus and Darius, among the ablest rulers of history.

Curiously enough, the Persians themselves have forgotten this glorious chapter of their past. Their national poem, the "Book of Kings" by Firdausi, tells of legendary monarchs in the early days, and of real kinds later, but omits Cyrus, Darius and all their line.

Later Persia had an indirect importance. When the Turks threatened to conquer all Europe, they were prevented by the bitter wars waged against them by Persia in their rear.

Recently, after a long sleep, Persia has shown signs of awakening. Her lately deposed shah, Riza Khan Pahlavi, did much for her. The coming of the United Nations' leaders to her capital testifies to her strategic location, and suggests that her new day may be just beginning.

A PROPHET REMEMBERS

They held a memorial meeting in Cleveland the other day for Newton D. Baker, brilliant lawyer, self-sacrificing publicist, and war secretary in the last war. His friend and co-worker Walter Lippman, who in some ways takes Baker's place more than any other man, was there with other distinguished men to honor his memory and give fresh emphasis to his ideals.

Baker was an unusual combination of scholar, jurist, public servant, idealist and humanitarian, but is now remembered, perhaps, mainly as a prophet. He was saddened by the withdrawal of America from world affairs after the last war, and foresaw that it would result in another great and terrible war to

Edgar A. Guest

The Poet of the People

THE SCARRED BIRCH

They found a birch tree, shining in the sun,
And, being young, they tore a piece of bark,
As youth in spring and summer long has done.
Not knowing 'twould forever bear the mark.

Elders grown wise in ways of men and trees
Have learned these wounds of birches never heal.
Those grim black scars which every passer sees
Always the hurt of thoughtlessness reveal.

Who knows what charms our careless deeds besmirch,
What thoughtless words leave scars forevermore.
Like those which spoil the beauty of the birch,
Destroying something time will not restore?

get the job done. He spoke clearly for international cooperation at a time when, from some curious twist of American thinking, millions of Americans seemed to regard any teamwork with foreign nations as perilous.

That attitude toward international problems has mostly disappeared. Instead of ignoring foreign problems and rising dangers, both people and Congress have come more nearly to viewing the world as a whole. They now understand better that people are more alike than different; that they are naturally more friendly than hostile, that cooperative forces exist almost everywhere, that there must be a large degree of world unity and cooperation, or else mankind on the threshold of immense opportunities will destroy the civilization it has made.

SPIRALING WAGES

American industry seems more and more inclined to the idea that "another little drink won't do us any harm." The fight of workers for higher pay keeps spreading in one industry after another and the demands grow larger. Employers agree more readily. Five cents an hour here, and seven cents there, and ten or twelve or fifteen cents somewhere else, and so the pressure runs into millions of dollars a year, heading onward toward billions.

This is a natural trend, but a perilous one. For there is nothing more sure in the industrial world than the fact that one advance in pay leads to another. It is right to make legitimate concessions in cases where any particular industry or trade has been left behind, and out of line, as general wages have risen in that industry. But if such cases are now kept under logical control, there is soon a hop, skip and jump game that overshoots legitimate and reasonable pay goals in that occupation, and then in other occupations, and then around again, and so on and so on.

That looks fine at first, but it is the heady liquor that leads to inflation and destruction. First the general public is victimized, especially professional people living on fixed salaries and elderly people living on their savings. Eventually everybody loses. It is wiser not to drink that liquor.

WORKERS AND FIGHTERS

Great is the power of American labor. Commissioner Paul V. McNutt, calling for nearly 3,000,000 more men and women says there must be 66,000,000 workers mobilized in this country by the middle of next year.

That will be the largest "man-power army" ever assembled or dreamed of. And although comparisons are not really called for, it might be said that this great working force, even more than the valiant fighting forces, will win the War of the World. For the men in the air, on the land, on the sea and under the sea will be winning as one great, powerful team because they have the stuff to fight with, as well as the brain and brawn to handle the stuff.

According to the Senate, nothing is too good for our boys in the service except to let them vote.

WELCOME!



White's Chapel H. D. Club Enjoys Annual Christmas Party

A most enjoyable time was had by members of the White's Chapel Home Demonstration club, December 15, at their annual Christmas tree and party held at the community center, with Mrs. F. P. McCulston and Mrs. W. N. Hamilton, co-hostesses.

Mrs. H. M. Basham presided over the brief business session, and the club voted to send a Christmas gift to a disabled soldier at McCloskey Hospital. Mrs. G. G. Poarch was elected club reporter to succeed Mrs. E. C. Ray, who resigned.

The club will sponsor a "Watch Party" at the community center Thursday night, December 30. Visitors are welcome. Refreshments will be served free.

Mrs. S. A. Beaman, program chairman, presented Mrs. J. L. Young, Mrs. G. G. Poarch, Mrs. R. P. Garrett and Mrs. W. N. Hamilton, who gave Christmas readings.

At the conclusion of the business session and program, much merriment attended the distribution of gifts revealing who the "secret" club friend had been during the year.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses to a visitor, Mrs. J. M. Parrish and fourteen members.

The next meeting of the club will be at the community center January 12, with Mrs. Walter Beaman, hostess.

Wortham Officer on Leave and Richland Girl Are Married

WORTHAM, Dec. 18.—(Spl.)—Lt. James Goolsby, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Goolsby, has arrived home on a short leave to recuperate after six months active duty overseas. He was seriously wounded in Sicily, July 2, 1943. He is a member of the 124th Infantry, Purple Heart and Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster for over 300 combat hours.

Lt. Goolsby entered service March 21, 1942. His cadet training was at San Antonio and Cimarron Field, Oklahoma City, and his bombardier training was at Ellington Field, Houston, and he received his commission as second lieutenant and wings at Midland, Texas, Dec. 17, 1942. He was assigned to First Anti-Sub Squadron at Cleveland, Ohio, and then to Langley Field, Va., and May 19, 1943, he left for overseas duty in the North African area.

Lt. Goolsby graduated from the Wortham high school in 1934, attended Clifton Junior College. At the time of entrance into the service he was assistant postmaster and full-time clerk in the Wortham post office.

A few days after his arrival in Wortham, he was married in Corsicana to Miss Ethel Winstead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Winstead of Richland. This marriage is of wide interest to a large circle of friends of this popular young couple. Mrs. Goolsby, with her sister, Mrs. Harry Zoda, is owner of the White Front Beauty Shop in Wortham. Mrs. Zoda's husband has been on active duty in the North African war zone for more than two years.

Mrs. Weyman Price Hostess to Club In Kerens Tuesday

KERENS, Dec. 18.—(Spl.)—Mrs. Weyman Price was hostess to the members of the Sorosis Club and their guests Tuesday evening at her home in North Kerens. The home was decorated throughout following a Christmas motif. The dining table had for its decoration a lovely arrangement of red and white gladioli and red carnations and red pine cones. The buffet held a lighted Christmas tree before which gifts were exchanged.

Mrs. Hugh Barlow was guest speaker for the evening and in her charming manner reviewed the book, "The Owner of the Stable," by Emma Dee Currie.

Refreshments consisting of tuna sandwiches, pecan pie, olives and coffee were served to thirty guests.

Waste Oil Burning. Waste oil burning in the vicinity of Barry during the noon hour Saturday caused numerous questions in Corsicana as the huge clouds of black smoke were seen. The Magnolia Pipeline Company office here said that waste oil was burning.

NEGRO SLAYER OF DALLAS POLICEMAN GETS DEATH PENALTY

DALLAS, Dec. 17.—(Ap.)—L. C. Akins, a negro who won reversal of a life imprisonment sentence in the slaying of Policeman V. L. Morris here Sept. 15, 1941, was convicted again last night and this time drew the death penalty.

Convicted and given the life sentence after a trial at Waxahatchie, Akins won the reversal because there had been no negro on the grand jury which indicted him. Early this year, Akins was indicted here by a grand jury which included a negro.

The district court jury returned its verdict last night after deliberating an hour. It heard state's testimony that Morris was shot after a scuffle resulting when the negro allegedly elbowed the policeman's wife aside when she attempted to board a street car.

Akins testified that he did not see Mrs. Morris, that he was struck on the head and shot by Morris; and that he disarmed the policeman and fired the fatal shot in self-defense.

Negro Hi 4-H Club Organized; Sears Roebuck Give Pigs

The Jackson high school boys have completed organization of a 4-H club group, according to announcement by F. J. Robinson, negro county agent. Officers include: Allison Smart, president; Harlee Cook, vice president; Joseph M. Coleman, secretary; L. C. Warren, assistant secretary; Ezra Carrall, reporter. Prof. A. M. Johnson is sponsor.

The boys will be given demonstrations in the various projects included in the program by the county agent and each boy will be required to do some work on the project selected. Walter Cotton, principal, will assist the boys in getting started.

Robinson also announced six 4-H club boys have received registered Hampshire pigs from the Sears Roebuck Company. Those receiving pigs include: Plaine Pace, Sammie L. Allen, Claude Ellington, Houston, and then the Round Prairie community, and Chester Ray Hunter and Chester P. Armstrong of the Princeton community.

These boys have entered the Sears Roebuck contest and will care for the pigs under the supervision of the negro county agent. All boys will have an opportunity to show the pigs in the late spring of 1944. From the county show the winners will go to district competition with ten other counties.

Married Thursday. Ralph C. Holland and Lela Madge Highnote were married at the courthouse Thursday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Judge Hayden Paschall.

Comings and Goings Of Fairfield Folk

FAIRFIELD, Dec. 18.—(Spl.)—Mrs. Alvin Speed of Longview is visiting her mother, Mrs. Don Lindsey, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Gilpen visited in Teague Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Schafer of Dallas are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Roger Steward.

Mrs. Zack Stroud of Palestine is visiting her father, John Manahan here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Camp and Mrs. Don Weldon and children of Galveston visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Bonner, recently.

Rev. Frank McElroy spent Thursday in Temple, attending a meeting of the Presbytery.

Mrs. E. H. Newman and Mrs. Harold Williford spent the first of the week in Dallas.

Mrs. Bradley Richardson spent Tuesday in Mexico.

Mrs. George Fryer and Mrs. Bill Williamson spent Thursday in Dallas.

Mrs. Jabe Emmons and daughters, Eloise Darline, and Louise Morgan were Corsicana visitors Monday.

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Near surviving relatives are her husband, Mack Marberry, one son, Eddie Ross, seven sisters, Mrs. Roger Steward, Fairfield; Mrs. Paul Curry, Streetman; Mrs. Guy Coleman, Burleson; Mrs. B. C. Whitley, Burleson; Mrs. Winfrey Tate, Fairfield; Mrs. Charlie McCloskey, New London and Mrs. D. Bass, Levelland; three brothers, Byron Nettle, Dallas; Edward Nettle, Streetman; Buford Nettle Streetman.

Sick and Convalescent. Minnie Mills, member of the Daily Sun staff, has the flu.

P. B. Davis, deputy sheriff, was on the sick list Saturday.

Marble Wilkinson, county clerk, is ill with the flu.

Lee Bonner, Eureka, has been dismissed from the Waters Clinic after an attack of flu and pneumonia.

OUR CHRISTMAS GREETING TO YOU

IT WOULD BE NICE IF, ON CHRISTMAS MORNING, WE COULD GATHER ALL OUR FRIENDS AROUND A BIG TREE IN THE LOBBY OF THE BANK. WE'D LIKE TO SHAKE YOUR HANDS AND WISH EACH ONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS PERSONALLY, BUT SINCE THAT'S NOT PRACTICAL, WE ARE TAKING THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXTEND HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU FROM ALL OF US HERE AT THE BANK.

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OFFICERS ELECTED BY MEDICAL SOCIETY - BANQUET-MEETING

Officers were elected for the ensuing year at the annual banquet-meeting of the Navarro County Medical Society at the Navarro Hotel Friday evening. A round-table discussion of the Wagner-Murray Senate Bill 1161 was held with all members present participating. This proposed legislation now being considered by the national law-makers is referred to frequently as "socialized medicine and practice."

The Society endorsed the child clinics in Navarro county schools as requested by the Corsicana-Navarro County Health Unit.

Officers elected are: Dr. E. H. Newton, president; Dr. O. C. Bonner, vice president; Dr. J. Wilson David, secretary - treasurer and delegate to the State Medical Convention, and Dr. T. O. Willis, censor.

Dr. Will Miller, retiring president, preside. The Society was the guests of Drs. Miller and David at the banquet.

Navarro Countians To Present Gifts To War Wounded

When Christmas morning arrives at McCloskey Hospital at Temple, more than one-third of the disabled service men will receive daily and attractively wrapped gifts from generous-hearted citizens of Navarro County, as 1162 gifts piled high in a pick-up truck driven by Mrs. Carl Ashworth and in the personal car of Mrs. John Garner, left Corsicana on Thursday morning with Blackland Army Air Field as their destination.

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Curtains Ignited.

A stove ignited curtains at 1409 West Tenth avenue Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The kerosene stove was reported by firemen to have been picked up and carried out of the house by Joe Daniels, who is blind. Little damage resulted.



MARRIED RECENTLY—Mildred Christine Moore and Chester Ray Murphy were married December 4 at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Moore, 401 North Sixth Street. The bride is a 1943 graduate of the Emhouse high school and the bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Murphy, is a graduate of the Corbett high school.

Club Women Are Aiding Materially Training Nurses

Scholarships for training practical nurses and for college girls planning professional nurse's careers are a part of the enlarged nursing program of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

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The Federation is continuing its scholarships to other student nurses who are not members of the U. S. Cadet Nurse Corps.

This is the most important, says Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, national president, "if all young women are to have an equal chance to serve their country as nurses. Some girls, because of certain responsibilities, cannot make a definite pledge to serve in the U. S. services."

The Federation's nursing scholarship fund has reached a total of a quarter of a million dollars. Thousands of student nurses have been recruited and are now receiving assistance.

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CONTROL OF GRUBS IN CATTLE SUBJECT AT DAWSON MEETING

Grub control was discussed Wednesday by L. L. Bennett, assistant Navarro county agent, at a joint meeting of the Dawson 4-H and FFA clubs, showing how to eliminate grubs from cattle and presented figures telling of the losses annually in leather and meat.

Grubs are caused by the heel fly which lays eggs on cows' heels in early spring, and after hatching, the larvae starts its journey by boring into the leg and working its way upward through the body. About nine months is required for the grub to reach the cow's back where it generally appears in the winter months.

The assistant county agent told the boys how each farmer can eliminate the insect and contribute to the control movement.

W. J. Moore is vocational agriculture teacher of the Dawson schools.

Corporation Court.

Four were cited on overtime parking tickets and one for parking in a loading zone Thursday.

One was cited for operating a car with only one headlight and without a driver's license. One door was found unlocked by patrolmen.

O. J. Finsted, 3649 East First street, Fort Worth, truck driver, reported to city police that his truck hit a mule two miles southeast of Corsicana on Highway 287, causing considerable damage to the truck. The police report Friday morning did not mention anything about injuries to the mule.

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NEW BRITAIN

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That price reached 29 planes destroyed by mid-day Saturday. The Allied air forces not only beat off the enemy attacks, but spread new devastation on Japanese bases along both coasts of the 300-mile long island, including a heavy fighter stab at Rabaul harbor.

May Be In American Hands
Possibility that the presently unserviceable Arawe airstrip may be in American hands by this time was suggested by the headquarters spokesman's statement that the Americans are approaching the field. He said the bulletin was based on reports as of late Saturday.

Capture of the airstrip would give the Allies another hopping off point for aerial attacks on Rabaul, the main Japanese base on New Britain, which is 280 miles from Arawe. But Allied planes already have struck at Rabaul from newly-won bases in the Solomons.

This first all-fighter sweep over Rabaul in the war was staged Friday by South Pacific fliers under Adm. William F. Halsey and testified to the creeping web of air bases the Allies are spinning around the already-battered stronghold.

Halsey's spokesman said the 80 planes came from "various South Pacific bases," but reports from General Douglas MacArthur's advance headquarters indicated at least part of the fighter force came from the new air strip carved out of the Bougainville jungles at Empress Augusta May, 200 airline miles from Rabaul.

Served Its Purpose
Halsey's spokesman said the raid served its purpose — not strafe the enemy positions but to stir up the Japanese fighter planes. Forty Zeros rose to meet the Americans. Six were shot down and two American fighters were missing.

Japanese airmen still sought to break through the dawn-to-dusk air umbrella protecting the newly won New Britain beachhead. Thunderbolt pilots shot down two enemy fighters Thursday and Friday and drove off other attackers. Patrols late Friday downed a Japanese divebomber.

Concentrated artillery fire supported Sixth army troops cleaning out Japanese remnants in the ape Merkus area of the Arawe sector. MacArthur's communique reported the capture of the village of Umptingulu and said medium artillery leveled Japanese defenses to facilitate the victory.

SAN PIETRO

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took place on the peaks hundreds of feet above where a unit led by Lt. Rufus Cleghorn, Waco, Texas, had occupied positions a week ago. A 200-pound former Baylor University athlete, Cleghorn has been recommended for battlefield promotion.

Shouts at Enemy
Called "Rufus the Loudmouth" by the doughboys, he has a foghorn voice. During the heat of battle he climbed on the highest rock, shouting curses at the enemy screaming insults and throwing rocks and hand grenades. He and his men beat off seven counterattacks during the first day.

The slopes were strewn with German dead mowed down attempting to retake the heights.

"Those boys used 60 boxes of grenades in about a week," said Capt. William R. Lynch, Huntsville, Tex., who had charge of seeing that they received ammunition and food supplies. "That's about 2,000 grenades in the number a division would normally use in the combat period. Besides the grenades, they used three times the number of mortar shells they would normally expend."

Major David Frazier, Houston, Tex., was praised by other officers. They said he "had done everything from chunk grenades to direct artillery fire."

Native of Cameron
SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 20. — (AP) — Captain Charles Beacham, who led his company against the Germans in one of the fiercest battles of the Italian campaign in the capture of San Pietro, was a native of Cameron, where his parents now live. He had been a resident of San Antonio about 15 years, prior to his entering active duty in 1940, and had been employed as a civil service worker in the finance department at Fort Sam Houston. His wife, the former Miss Dorothy Salmon of San Antonio, resides here.

RUSSIAN

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last night unnoticed by the enemy."

The Soviet offensive spearheaded by tanks, cavalry, and ski troops, in the Nevel area was in its sixth day, and was punching toward the rail junction of Polotsk.

Close to Polotsk
A Moscow dispatch from Associated Press Correspondent Eddy Gilmore, said the Russians were "dangerously close" to Polotsk, which is near the old Polish and Latvian frontiers, while other Soviet units "brought an imminent threat to Vitebsk."

Twenty thousand Germans already have been killed and 2,000 captured, a Moscow communique announced last night in the first Soviet mention of the big offensive. The broadcast bulletin said the Red army had cracked German positions on a 50-mile front to a depth of nearly 20 miles, routed three German infantry and one tank division and destroyed or captured huge quantities of war material.

Gilmore's Moscow dispatch said "One of the most significant features of the breakthrough is the factor that the Soviets are now but little more than 200 miles from Riga. Between the advanced positions and Riga run two main trunk railways which the Germans use for supplying the whole Leningrad and Northwest fronts. These now are within striking distance."

New Draft Bill of Little Effect
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. — (AP) — Selective Service officials say that the new father-draft law, as far as delaying the induction of pre-war fathers, fits the old saw about locking the barn after the horse is stolen.

"Almost everything in it has been done long ago," one authority said last night. The recent congressional action was intended to put pre-war fathers at the bottom of the draft list. It also removed the administration of Selective Service from the War Manpower Commission.



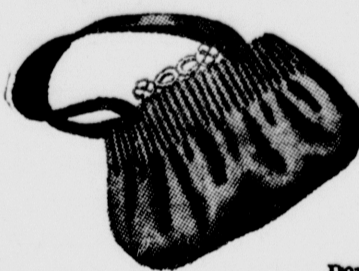
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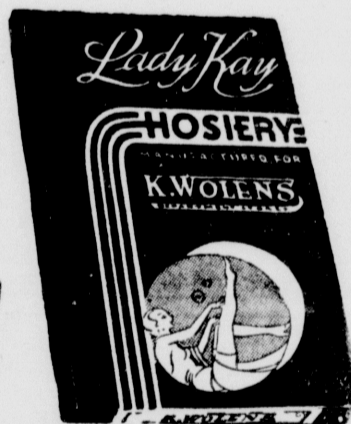
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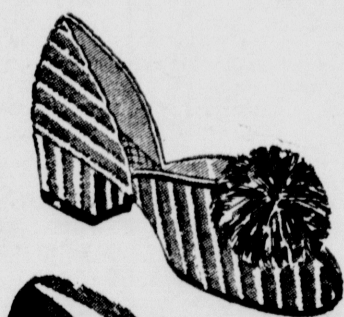
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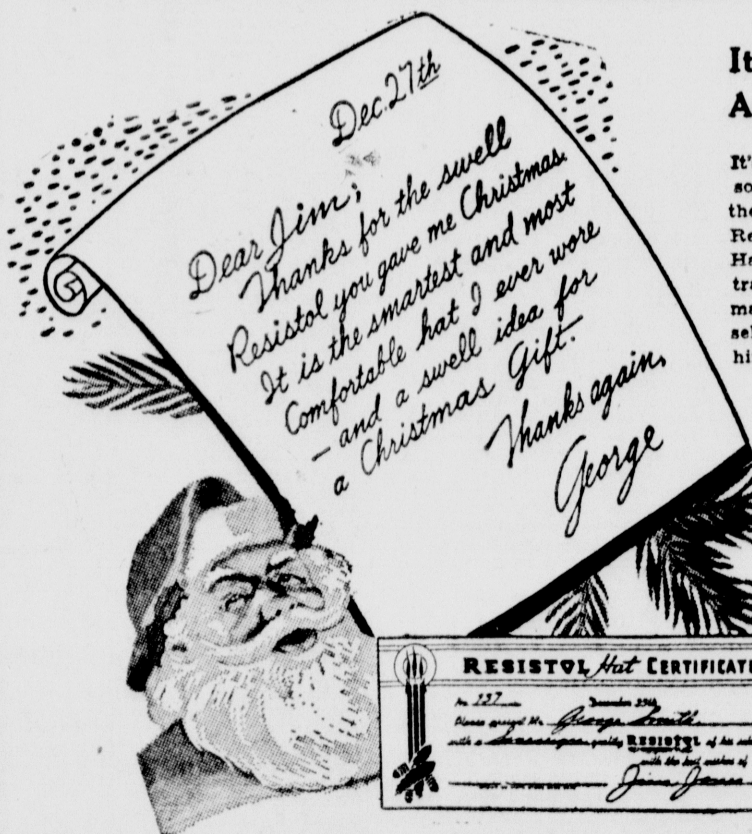


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WAR CRIMINALS
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criminal is the person who gives the order or the one who actually carries it out received one answer at the Kharkov trials. All the four men convicted pleaded guilty, but each said he only was carrying out orders.

Definition of "war criminal" is one of the problems facing the United Nations Commission in London for investigating war crimes. The British parliament has debated the subject.

Allowed Last Word.
Before they were put to death, all the prisoners were allowed a last word, dispatches to Moscow newspapers said.

The giant, sad-eyed Gestapo Captain Langheld, a member of the Nazi party, said:

"I am not going to add to my testimony. I beat Russian war prisoners and according to my orders they were shot."

"I ask you to take into consideration the fact that I am not alone—such as I am the entire German Army. I am not the only one who committed brutalities. I do not want to lessen my blame. For the real answer for the German atrocities in Russia you must look to the German government."

"The German government was able to suppress those noble characteristics of the German nation and to educate them into the lowest passions. This was brought about by propaganda and acts of mass terrorism."

Finds Place in Army.
"This found its place in the German army during the war. We can remember the words of the German poet—the hellish madness which in turn gives birth to madness—this madness I repeat has shown itself especially during the present war. This wickedness shows itself in all the orders of the higher military authorities. To contradict these orders is not to fulfill them, it is to pass the verdict of death upon oneself."

"I also was their victim."

The Moscow news declared the Kharkov trial was "the first realization of the statement by President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill, and Premier Stalin on war criminals, and added that it is significant in that it is the initial act in the judgment that will be held in the countries of liberated Europe."

The "long arm of the freedom-loving peoples will pursue those guilty to the ends of the earth," it continued, and "will deliver them to be judged and punished in the places where they committed their crimes. They will be tried according to the laws of the countries whose citizens fell victim to the Hitlerite terror."

AERIAL
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atic and the Yugoslav north of Split. On the 19th, the German formations of allied bombers and fighters across the channel from British bases today were believed to have been on the French coast, since one group of medium bombers had streaked back across the channel in less than half an hour.

The sound of aircraft passing over the Straits and the Southeast Coast became almost continuous as the day wore on, indicating the aerial war has been stepped up into high gear again since the last heavy raids Thursday and Friday night.

First Augsburg Attack.
The attack on Augsburg by American Liberators escorted by twin engine Lightning fighters was the first on that southern German industrial city by Mediterranean-based bombers. The city was last attacked on April 17, 1942, by British-based RAF bombers.

Not only was the raid the deepest northern penetration of Germany from the Mediterranean theater to date, it also was the longest operation from that theater and demonstrated that from now on German may expect heavy blows on her homeland from the south as well as the west.

It proved that allied southern and western air power is now in position to concentrate on German targets simultaneously to deliver a maximum weight of explosives.

Innsbruck's strategic railway line, which was hammered by formations of Flying Fortress escorted by fighters, were last attacked on Dec. 15 by American raiders.

Caught By Surprise.
The radio report yesterday's assault caught Innsbruck's defenses completely by surprise and that the alert was sounded only after the first bombs had exploded.

It said many direct hits were scored in the hitway station east of the town and several large hotels were destroyed by flames which swept areas of the town itself. Rail traffic through the Brenner Pass was reported at a standstill 12 hours after the raid.

Bombs were loosed on Augsburg through a heavy curtain of clouds, and then the Liberators and Lightnings fought off their attackers to make the return run back across the Alps, unscathed.

Allied Spitfire fighters ranking the Italian skies shot down six other enemy fighters yesterday to bring to 43 the total Nazi fighters that fell before the guns of allied planes.

U. S. Bombers Hit France.
LONDON, Dec. 20.—(P)—United States Marauder bombers, escorted by allied fighters, bombed military objectives in northern France today, Army headquarters announced.

Berlin Three-Fifths Destroyed.
BERN Switzerland, Dec. 20.—(P)—Berlin is now three-fifths destroyed and nearly 2,000,000 persons are homeless, the Basel National Zeitung quoted an unnamed eyewitness of the RAF's raids on the German capital as saying today.

Berlin Is Ghost City.
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 20.—(P)—The bodies of Berlin residents are still being removed from smoking ruins a month after the RAF's assault on the German capital began, and Nazi authorities are discussing a 100 per cent evacuation of the city, Swedish correspondents reported today.

"Berlin is a ghost city—a home of corpses and grey-faced inhabitants living in basements," said one cabled dispatch. "You find people who begin to cry when they see the ruins everywhere."

Have something you don't need? Try a Want Ad and convert it into cash. Just phone 163.

BANDSMEN SWING IT AROUND THE CLOCK IN DESERT UNDER DIRECTION HERBERT L. HILL

IBIS, Calif., Dec. 20.—(Sp.)—Whether it's five o'clock in the morning or seven at night, it's a dark life in the desert wasteland of the California-Arizona Maneuver area. The moon and stars light the black void a bit, but they can not alleviate the chill.

Brightening such an existence among the troops of the 11th Armored Division is the division band—a unit of 60 musicians who begin their cadences and melody before the dawn and complete their day's tour of duty late at night, with a bang of brass and a flourish of range firing, battle incantation, obstacle courses, police details, K. P., and assortment of other assignments, crowding their days.

Mornings "Brightened."
Most of the 11th's soldiers agree that their mornings are "brightened" by the antics of this nocturnal band, although there are admitted mixed feelings when the band's blaring reveille whistles and the band stands outside a tent area, striking up "Roll Out the Barrel," "O, How I Hate to Get Up in the Morning," "Jersey Bounce," or the old standby, "Our Director."

The grumblers at reveille find a fiendish delight in the band when, as they gingerly turn back their blankets, it throbs out "Come Join the Band," "Washington and Lee Swing," to drown out the best efforts of the topkick and his whistle. A man from Wisconsin may be dream about home, when the band will crack down with "On Wisconsin," putting the soldier in a better humor whatever side of the cot he gets out of.

Solid Beat of Five.
The solid beat of five band may clash with the martial measures of a "straight" outfit, when the band splits into smaller component organizations to stir things up at different points in the camp, just as the sounds of marching men chiming in with "On Wisconsin" in spite of the hour or with blasphemous shouts of good-natured hostility to the sudden disruption of their rest.

In one of a soldier will sing along with the nearest band, which is playing "...With might and main sing this refrain, Forever and forever Stanford Red," while in another section of camp a man rubs his eyes and mumbles in tempo with a five band's refrain "Hold that Tiger...Hold that Tiger!" A third soldier takes his first waking breaths of the pre-dawn air, groans, and snorts across the company street "Blow in with Needles Saturday night will stand reveille Sunday."

Hill Waves Baton.
Such is the wee hour effect of

Social Revue

Mrs. Jim Johnston arrived on Saturday from Santa Maria, Calif., to reside in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hayes, since her husband left recently for overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Benson of Wortham and Miss Katherine Ann Benson, TSCW student at Denton, visited in the home of Mr. Benson's mother, Mrs. N. L. Benson, on Friday afternoon.

Messdames W. H. Hayes and Emogene Green were in Frost on Thursday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mrs. Cora Moore.

Mrs. Hays Hopkins left this week for San Diego, Calif., to join her husband who is a member of the U. S. Medical Corps.

Dr. F. E. Sadler has been in Austin for the past several days, conferring on health facilities for the county and city.

Friends of Ballard George will be interested in knowing that he is recuperating satisfactorily following a recent appendectomy at the Navarro Clinic.

County Judge E. D. McCormick was a business visitor Friday afternoon at Frost and Blooming Grove.

Pvt. W. G. Clarkston, recently returned from overseas, has been visiting his wife in Blooming Grove and his parents in Corsicana.

Dawson public schools will close for the Christmas Holidays Tuesday afternoon and classes will be resumed Wednesday, January 20. The usual Christmas programs will be held by the various rooms Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. H. McReynolds of Dawson was a recent guest in the home of Mrs. Bunnies McReynolds Corsicana teacher.

Misses Ernestine and Josephine Farmer of Dawson were Corsicana visitors early this week.

Lieut. Pete Zaratofotis sends Christmas greetings to relatives and friends here from somewhere in England.

Cadet Corporal Herbert Lee Silverberg has arrived from Kemper Military Academy, Booneville, Mo. to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Silverberg and family.

Mrs. Jackson Taylor recently received a box of souvenirs from her husband, Corp. Taylor, who is now stationed in India. Among the gifts were handkerchiefs, a coin, a hand-made scarf, a hand-carved vase and a number of pictures.

Lieut. and Mrs. John Hornburg left on Thursday for El Paso, where Lieut. Hornburg will be stationed at Fort Bliss. En route to El Paso, Lieut. Hornburg will visit relatives in Fort Worth and Ballinger.

Mrs. James Howard Shivers has received a box of gifts from her husband, who is stationed somewhere in the Mediterranean theater of war. The box was mailed October 22, and arrived in Corsicana on December 14. Corp. Shivers writes that he is enjoying the Semi-Weekly Light, especially the "In Uniform" column.

Friends have received greetings from Sgt. John Minor, who is in the administrative department of the U. S. army in the South Pacific.

Frank Borgeson of the U. S. Merchant Marine has written friends of a recent visit in Havana, Cuba.

Local relatives have received V-mail Christmas cards from Sgt. John Garrett, who is somewhere in Italy.

E. B. Dawson, Jr., has returned to Corpus Christi where he will soon complete his Tarmac training as a member of the U. S. Naval Air Reserve, V-5, at Corpus Christi Naval Base, after enjoying a six-day visit in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Dawson.

Mrs. Jack R. Whitley, who holds a responsible teaching position at McAllen, has arrived for a holiday visit with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Rogers. Her husband, Lieut. Whitley, is now somewhere overseas.

Miss Peggy Gowan of Kerens spent Friday in Corsicana.

Ross Sutton, who has been attending Draughon's Business College in Tyler, has arrived for a visit in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sutton, before enlisting in the U. S. navy.

Pfc. Marion Roberts of the Fifth Ferrying Command at Love Field, Dallas, will present piano selections as a musical backdrop for a Christmas party to be given for 150 guests by Mrs. Carl Mangold at her country home, Hill Top House, on Thursday afternoon.

GOVERNMENT WANTS DEER HIDES, DUCK AND GEESE FEATHERS

The government has called for all available deer hides to be used in the preparation of aviators' gloves, jackets, etc., according to a communication received by County Agent H. C. Robinson. Feathers and down from wild ducks and wild geese are also needed for sleeping bags.

It is possible that local hunters and sportsmen might want to assist in the salvage of these important items, and anyone desiring to contribute either, should proceed as follows: Since the law of this state prevents the direct sale of deer hides, the Texas game, fish and oyster commission has designated the Western Hide Company of Yoakum, Texas, as a clearing house for the deer skins, and this company has agreed to act in such capacity.

The green hides should be salted heavily and allowed to cure a week or longer, after which they may be shipped immediately, or if preferred, they may be shipped as dry hides. Ship hides direct to Western Hide Company, Yoakum, Texas.

Send geese and duck feathers to Ducks Unlimited, 342 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y., a non-profit and charitable organization which will forward them to the government through the proper channels.

Sick and Convalescent.
Mrs. B. R. Davis is a patient in the B. R. Hospital.

A son was born to Mrs. Preston Elmore, Milford, at the P. and S. Hospital.

Mrs. A. T. Malton and baby son, born at the P. and S. Hospital Saturday afternoon, have gone home.

J. S. Callcutt is resting fairly well at the P. and S. Hospital.

Notice of Sale
By virtue of an order passed at a Regular Term of the Commissioner's Court of Navarro County, I will sell the Navarro County Farm to the highest bidder at public outcry at the Navarro County Court House door in Corsicana, Texas, on Thursday the 30th day of December, A. D. 1943, at 2 o'clock P. M., provided the first and starting bid is not less than \$95.00 per acre. Correct description and true state of area may be secured at the Navarro County Auditor's office in the Court House in Corsicana.

DREW GILLEN
Commissioner to Sell.

BOLIVIA

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territory Chile took from Bolivia five years ago by force of arms. A Bolivian outlet has been the subject of subsequent diplomatic exchanges with Chile, but that country has never been willing to cede more than a free port.

Number Killed.
A radio announcement said a "number" of persons were killed and wounded in the gun battle which lasted four hours, until the Calama regiment of the federal police ceased resisting the Revolutionary forces.

Scattering shots heard later in the day were attributed to "celebrations" in another radio broadcast.

In his appeal over "Radio America," a station closed until today, Paz Estenssoro said:

"Bolivian people, the work of inequity has ended. The government has ended. The negotiations of rulers who cared nothing for the country; ended is the wastage of the people's money in costly voyages; the nation has ceased to be the personal property of the Penaranda Rivera Castillo family."

Declaring that the only object of the Penaranda government was the sovereignty of the nation, the revolutionary leader went on:

"The oppression was reflected in the closure of organs defending the sovereignty of the nation and the voice of Radio America."

"It has not been possible to tolerate more. The Nationalist Revolutionary movement has chosen a new route to overthrow the 'Roca' (commonly used to designate capitalist concerns) and its servants."

They have faith that the entire population will support us because we are inspired only by love for Bolivia."

Newspaper publication was halted immediately, soldiers posted about all newspaper plants.

President Penaranda, an anti-Nazi who led his country to a declaration of war against the Axis countries, was elected to Bolivia's highest office in 1940. He visited the United States last May and was personally welcomed to his inspection tour of America's war might by President Roosevelt. During a tour of Detroit's war plants he declared that Bolivia stood ready to throw an army into the field at the side of the Allies when called upon.

The 51-year-old Penaranda was commander in chief of the Bolivian army during his country's bloody, six-year war with Paraguay, and was the army's choice for president in 1940.

His election was hailed as Bolivia's first return to constitutional government since 1941, and marked the first time the government had changed hands without a coup since that time.

An almost pure-blooded Indian, Penaranda entered military college in 1907, graduating as second lieutenant and rising steadily until he was named commanding officer in 1933.

Since the war began, however, he had been criticized frequently particularly in his dealings with his country's tin mine strikes.

Oppositionists charged he dealt too harshly with the strikers.

Bolivia has been beset by inflation since the war began, and by shortages of commodities, including food, since the United States' entry into the world conflict displaced Western hemisphere economies.

Bolivia is now one of the largest sources of tin for the United Nations, and depends to a considerable extent for her food supplies on the United States.

Shortages and rising prices were reported to have caused much discontent.

Much of the republic's small business had been in German hands before the war, resulting in many of her business establishments being placed on the Allied "black list" after war was declared.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(P)—Official Washington watched with interest, but without immediate

comment, the developing situation in Bolivia where President Enrique Penaranda's strongly pro-allied regime was overthrown today by the National Revolutionary Movement (NRM).

Informed sources meanwhile expressed the view that economic considerations would dictate a continuation of Bolivian participation in the United Nations war effort, notwithstanding the authoritarian flavor of the party headed by Victor Paz Estenssoro, leader of the coup d'etat.

These sources pictures Paz as having very friendly ties in Argentina, only western hemisphere nation which has not broken with the axis, and said he was in Buenos Aires as recently as two months ago conferring with Argentine leaders.

Before the war, industries manufacturing electrical products employed the largest proportion of women.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Bone
2. Sheep
3. Bible tuber
4. Tibetan monk
5. Scraped linen
6. Moving wagon
7. Astronaut
8. To point within
9. Unit of
10. Ignites again
11. Army officer
12. On the ocean
13. Change the date of
14. Government
15. Hold a session
16. Pertaining to mountains
17. Kind of wood
18. Note of the scale

DOWN

1. Put up
2. Symbol for
3. Converse
4. Native tin
5. Oxidize
6. Junction
7. Side
8. Photographie instrument
9. Composition for one
10. More patina
11. Receptacle for flour
12. Pillow
13. Act out of
14. The Emerald Isle
15. Suspend molding
16. Existence
17. Ferus
18. Broods of pheasants

DOS BERET ILL

OPE	ERATO	MOO
TAN	VITAL	POD
SHIRES	PERUKE	
COAR	EDIT	
PERHAPS	OPERA	
HAS	GOAT	EDOM
AS	ENTER	WE
SEAM	DELE	DEN
ELDER	DEFAULT	
ARES	TERR	
CEMENT	ARMIES	
ARA	EAGLE	TIE
SIN	WRITE	ARC
HAT	SEGS	NET

Solution Friday's Puzzle.

DOWN

1. Winglike
2. Strong wind
3. Strive to equal or excel
4. Oriental banjo-like instrument
5. Yule
6. Organ of sight
7. Cornucopia
8. Rooks
9. Took too much food
10. Unit of weight
11. Corner
12. Shade of brown
13. Prepare for the press
14. Tipping
15. By
16. Tuna-sea
17. Gastropod mollusk
18. Vessel for heating liquids
19. Feminine name
20. Part of a ship
21. Bar legally
22. Bears
23. Was aware
24. Male figure
25. As a supporting column
26. So-called mountains
27. Golf club
28. Telecommunications
29. Foreign
30. Lamb's pen name
31. Feeding
32. Female sand-
33. Purpose

Several Texans Are Killed in Action

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(P)—The War department made public today a list of 197 U. S. soldiers killed in action, including the following from Texas:

European area:

Dunn, Tech. Sgt. George H. Jr.—George H. Dunn, father, Bellville.

Gober, 2nd Lt. Claude I.—Joseph I. Gober, father, Farwell.

Lane, 2nd Lt. Bill—Mrs. Virginia S. Lane, wife, Childress.

Mediterranean area:

Gaines, 2nd Lt. James R.—Mrs. Thomas Gaines, mother, Route 5, Athens.

Stokes, 2nd Lt. Woody E.—Mrs. Gene Stokes, mother, Decatur.

Naval Casualties List Four Texans

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(P)—A list of casualties released by the navy department today includes the following Texans:

Beard, Walter A., private, first class, U. S. Marine Corps reserve, Missing. Mother, Mrs. Mary L. Beard, Grainger.

Hatt, Walter D., second lieutenant, U. S. marine corps reserve, Dead. Wife, Mrs. Walter D. Hatt, Gladewater.

Moore, Floyd R., first lieutenant, U. S. marine corps. Wounded. Wife, Mrs. Floyd E. Moore, Gainesville.

Peters, James O., private, U. S. marine corps reserve, Missing. Mother, Mrs. Oma Pitts, Nacogdoches.

Radio Performer Former Resident

Richard Bills, former corsicana and Powell resident, now a radio musician, was here Monday renewing old friendships. The son of L. P. Bills, West Tenth avenue, he is a graduate of the Powell high school.

Recently returning from Des Moines, Iowa, where he was featured on a radio program, Bills is soon to have a prominent place on a regular program originating in a Fort Worth station.

EUROPEAN WAR

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lunched unsuccessful attacks against the German bridgehead of Kherson. Since this bridgehead became useless through the freezing of the Dnieper river, it was evacuated last night, unnoticed by the enemy."

Be Named Washington Delegate.
ALGIERES, Dec. 20.—(P)—Persons close to the French committee of national liberation said today that Foreign Commissioner Rene Massigli soon would be named the committee's delegate to Washington, succeeding Henri Etienne Hoppenot.

Information Commissioner Henri Bonnet likely will succeed Massigli.

Open Resistance to Vichy.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—(P)—A recent flareup of open resistance to the Vichy regime was reported by the Paris radio today to have resulted in the arrest of 4,000 persons in France during the past 15 days.

Quoting Vichy reports, the broadcast said "the arrest wave carried out in pursuance of general repressive measures. Among those arrested are 243 bandits and terrorists, 60 communists and international leaders and about 3,000 persons charged with army robbery and ordinary crimes."

Bibles Placed in Hospitals.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—(P)—The governing body of the international labor office, now in session here, announced today that a conference of the entire organization will be held in the United States, probably in Philadelphia, on April 20, 1944.

Bibles have been placed in the rooms and wards of the four hospitals of Corsicana and at the hospital center by the Corsicana Baptist Association. WMU, it has been reported, Mrs. A. M. Ester of Corsicana is president of the association WMU.

Anti-freeze

Just received shipment of Dupont Anti-Freeze. Don't take chances. Drive in now. Plenty of cold weather ahead.

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Christmas Flowers

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SCORCHY SMITH

SAMMY BECOMES THE POSSESSOR OF FOUR WINNING RAFFLE TICKETS, ENTITLING THE HOLDERS TO DATE WITH GIRLS FROM THE U.S.O. CAMP SHOW... SCORCHY IS PERSUADED TO COME ALONG, AND MEETS A GIRL NAMED KATHY...

DAKY DOAKS

AN OLD GUY WHO KEEPS SAYING "I'LL NEVER DO IT AGAIN!" GAVE AWAY A MARSHMALLOW AND SAVED HIM FROM COLLAPSING IN THE LABYRINTHINE CORRIDORS OF PENTAGON CASTLE...

BOOMER HOOPER

NOW DRY THOSE TEARS, MA, AND UNBURDEN YOURSELF TO THE LOVE-LOON EDITOR!

EGBERT: IT'S THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE I'VE BEEN STOOD UP.

MR. MACFLINT WALKED OUT AND LEFT ME FLAT! LESS THAN A WEEK TILL CHRISTMAS, TOO!

JUST A LOVER'S GAREL! HE COME BACK!

MY FRIEND, THIS 'ERE PLACE IS A DEATH-TRAP! A DEATH-TRAP! WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

IT'S LIKE THIS—I WUZ WORKIN' ALONE IN HERE—POLISHIN' DOOR-KNOBS—AN WHEN I KNOCKED OFF I JEST COULDN'T FIND MY WAY OUT! I BEEN LOST FER THREE DAYS!

G-GOSH!

I'LL NEVER DO IT AGIN!

THE ADVENTURES OF PATSY

I HOPE THOSE INDIANS HAVE GONE AWAY!!

THEY FRET ME MORE BY BEIN' QUIET THAN THEY DO BY RAMPAVIN' 'ROUND THE CABIN!!

WITH FIFTEEN RIFLEMAN BEHIND THOSE LOGS, WALKING DOG WON'T LET HIS BRAVES CHARGE THE CABIN AGAIN!!

ARROWS DIPPED PITCH AND TALLOW AND SET ABAZE WOULD FIRE THE ROOF AND DRIVE 'EM OUT!!

"CAP" STUBBS AND TIPPY

GEE! TIME TO GET UP! WHY WE JUST WENT TO BED! I WEESE! WEESE! MAYBE IF WE DIDN'T GUARD AUNTIE BANGS' HOUSE TONIGHT—

I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU GUY ARE SO SLEEPY EVERY MORNIN'!— YOU GO TO BED EARLY—

THERE'S SOMETHIN' NIGHY, KYSER! GOIN' ON!— AN I THOUGHT BFFIE BANGS SEEMED AWFUL NERVOUS 'T' OTHER DAY WHEN SHE CALLED—

"LIKE SHE WAS FRIGHTENED OF SOMEBODY GOIN' OVER AN GEE HER—"

COMMANDERS FOUR FLYING TRAINING FIELDS IN TEXAS

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The names of four commanding wings with headquarters at Texas Aids were announced today by the public relations office of the Central Flying Command.

The 77th Flying Training Wing, with headquarters at Fort Belvoir, Victoria, will be commanded by Brig. Gen. Charles T. Foster; Col. Michael T. Davis, commander of the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, will serve as the acting commanding officer of the 78th Flying Training Wing with headquarters at SAACC supervising the training at the classification center and at the pre-flight school for pilots, bombardiers and navigators.

The 79th Flying Training Wing will be commanded by Col. John R. Morgan, who is also the commanding officer of the army gunnery school, Harlingen. He will supervise training at the flexible gunnery school.

Big Valley Citrus Crop Is at Peak

McALLEN, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The biggest and richest citrus crop in Texas' history moved toward the peak of its winter shipping season today after weathering last week the Rio Grande Valley's first freeze of the season, a mild one, which failed to deter the harvesting of hardy fall vegetables.

More than 10,000 cars of citrus have already been marketed this season with resultant revenue of \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000 to shippers and growers. Indications are that the valley will top last year's citrus income of \$4,500,000.

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Bring us your turkeys, fryers, hens, roosters and eggs. We pay you the market price in cash.

NAVARRO COUNTY LEADING PRODUCE HOUSE.

Corsicana Poultry and Egg Co. Inc.

301 N. COMMERCE

PHONE 219

A good trick...

Exchange your No. 18 coupon NOW for lovely Rhythm Step Shoes

While there is

still a selection,

get your pair of

light, lovely RHYTHM STEP Shoes.

Stunning beauty for social hours... glorious

comfort for your extra walking...

with the magic of invisible RHYTHM TREADS...

a triple lift at heel, at arch and at

the ball of the foot.



Big 4 Shoe Store

McNutt Discusses Plans Employment Returning Soldiers



WITH SEABEES—Hubert Ray Miller, 1-C Petty Officer, Seabees, Southwest Pacific, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Miller, 2119 West Thirtieth Avenue, has written his parents relative to experiences and travels on Munda, Rendova and other well-known points where battles with the Japanese have occurred.

McNutt said six U.S.E.S. offices, at New Haven, Philadelphia, Minneapolis, Fort Worth, St. Louis and Los Angeles, would be set up as "laboratories" in January for advising and placing discharged servicemen.

WPB Orders Deep Cuts in Use of Paper in 1944

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The War Production Board today ordered deep cuts in the 1944 use of paper by newspapers, magazines, book publishers and commercial printers.

The restrictions are designed to save 125,000 tons of paper in the first quarter of 1944 will be running far ahead of pulp production, the WPB said.

The newspaper publishing industry's total allotment of paper in the first quarter of 1944 will be reduced 25.6 per cent, to effect a savings of 205,709 tons from the 869,296 tons used by the industry in that first quarter of 1941, the base period for estimating allocations.

Petty's Chapel PTA In Session Recently

Mrs. J. W. McAdams gave the main talk at "Communicable Disease Control" at the regular meeting of the Petty's Chapel P.T.A. Tuesday, Dec. 7. Mrs. Clarence Pevehouse presided at the meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Mike Edwards. "America," was sung by the entire group, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

In her talk, Mrs. McAdams stated that school is a place for well children, not sick ones. Teachers and parents should work together in the control of communicable diseases. There were 19 present. All mothers are urged to attend these meetings.

Open House to Honor Mr. and Mrs. Sheets On Golden Wedding

Open house on Christmas afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock will honor Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sheets on their fiftieth wedding anniversary with their children as hosts and hostesses at the Sheets home, 1500 W. Sixth avenue, as follows: Mr. and Mrs. E. S. (Tippie) Sheets, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gilbert, Sr., of Graham, Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Sheets of Childress, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Sheets of LaFayette, La., and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Willis of Dallas, and Flight Officer and Mrs. R. W. Gilbert, Jr., of Midland.

Tobie Davidson Pardoned.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 20.—(AP)—Tobie S. Davidson, former city councilman at Borger, Texas, was released from Idaho's prison today after serving 10 months for stabbing W. L. Goode, a drug salesman from Dallas, Texas, during an argument there two years ago.

Davidson, sentenced to two years, was pardoned.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to take this means to thank each and every one for their many kindnesses during the illness and death of our wife and mother, also for the many floral offerings sent.

ARTHUR POE AND SON, WATSON POE, (now in navy in the South Pacific.)

The gifts were distributed and each council member was home resolved to be a better club member.

—Reporter.

RATIONING ROUNDUP

(As of December 20)

By The Associated Press
Meats, Fats, Etc.—Book three brown stamps L, M, N, P and Q valid through January 1.

Processed Foods—Book four green stamps A, B and C expire December 20; stamps D, E and F valid through January 20.

Sugar book four stamp 29 good for five pounds through January 15.

Shoes—Book one stamp 18 and book three "airplane" stamp No. 1 good indefinitely.

Gasoline—In Southwest 9-A coupons good for three gallons through January 21. B and C coupons valid for two gallons everywhere except Rocky Mountains and Far West. B-2 and C-2 coupons valid for five gallons.

Black Hills WSCS Of Methodist Church In Session Monday

Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Black Hills Methodist church enjoyed a social meeting in the home of Mrs. C. Sutton on Monday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. Sutton, the vice president, presided during the meeting which opened with the song, "I Need Thee Every Hour" with Mrs. Bill Hutson as accompanist. Prayer was offered by Mrs. M. M. Pike.

Mrs. Everett Farmer selected the eleventh chapter of Acts as the lesson discussion, and Mrs. T. J. Worthington had charge of the feature, "When You Come, Bring the Books." Subjects discussed were "The Need of Christian Literature" and "The Response of the Church of the North."

An offering was made to the Orphans' Home at Waco during the afternoon.

The hostess served refreshments to the following members: Mesdames T. J. Worthington, M. M. Pike, George Gamble and Everett Farmer. Visitors were Mrs. Bill Hutson and son, Larry of Corsicana.

Navarro County Home Demonstration Council in Session

The Navarro County Home Demonstration Council met at Kinsloe House Saturday afternoon with Mrs. M. L. Spurlock, vice president, presiding.

Mrs. Kyle Stokes, secretary, presented the new year books for the clubs.

The recreation was led by Mrs. White, wife of the Methodist minister, from the Barry club. The bedroom and home food supply reporters and Gold Star demonstrators were honored with a lovely poem and a small ivy in a white pot was given each.

Mrs. C. C. Gaunt presented Mrs. W. C. Wasson who reviewed the book "The Other Wise Man," by Henry Van Dyke. It was well given and much enjoyed by the council.

After this recreational games were played, causing much fun and laughter.

The gifts were distributed and each council member was home resolved to be a better club member.

Genelle Hopwood Weds PFC Bryson In Mississippi

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hopwood of this city announce the marriage of their daughter, Genelle, to Pfc. Maurice Bryson, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Bryson of the Oak Valley community on November, the eleventh, in Gulfport, Miss. The wedding was solemnized in the home of C. A. Guthrards, justice of the peace of Harrison county, Miss.

The bride was attractively gowned in a poudre blue suit with matching accessories and a corsage of gardenias.

Those present were Mrs. B. R. Johnson of Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bregman of New York, and Mrs. C. A. Guthrards.

Both the bride and bridegroom formerly attended Corsicana High School.

Before entering the armed forces on June 2nd, Pfc. Bryson was employed at the Coca-Cola Bottling Company of this city.

Mrs. Bryson, who has arrived in Corsicana for the holidays, will be joined at an early date by her husband.

Our Boast

Out of the horrible inferno that engulfs the world there has come a corps of heroes the like of which the world had never before produced. We Americans feel, and justly so, that a high percentage in this worthy group hail from the U. S. A. Our boys have made good our boast.

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IN UNIFORM

Mrs. Sammie Layton of Tyler, a former Corsicana resident, is now a member of the WACs and is stationed at Denver, Colo.

Clyde L. Bierstaff, former Sun reporter, now stationed at Sioux Falls, S. D., attending an army technical school, sends seasonal greetings to his Corsicana friends and says he expects to be home on furlough soon.

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 18.—(SPL)—Naval Aviation Cadet Wilson M. Spear Jr. of Corsicana, Texas, has completed three months of physical conditioning and ground work at the U. S. Navy Pre-Flight school here. He has been ordered to the naval air station at Memphis, Tenn., to begin progressive flight training preparatory to joining a combat unit.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Willis, 101 South Street, received a Christmas cable from their son, S-Sgt. Claud Willis in Northern Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Willis also have two other sons in service.

Sgt. Scott Willis has served one year overseas and is now stationed at Camp Haan, Calif., and Pvt. Howard E. Willis recently entered the service and is taking his training at Camp Fannin, Texas.

AAF INSTITUTE INSTRUCTOR'S SCHOOL, Bryan, Texas, Dec. 17.—(SPL)—Edmond H. Allen, son of Mrs. Dessie Allen, 1813 Woodland, Corsicana, will graduate Saturday from the first instructor's course conducted at Bryan Field. The course consists of a rigorous eight-week schedule. The course is a combined refresher and advanced program for Ling trainer personnel, most of whom have been instructors in instrument flying technique at Army Air Force bases throughout the United States.

The ITIC program is an adjunct to the instrument flying course taught to AAF pilots here and its primary purpose is to increase the efficiency of Ling trainer instructors by acquainting them with the latest technique in Link instruction.

Lt. Wallace M. Morris, of Belton, U. S. Army, stationed at Newport News, Va., Army transport service, is spending a leave here.

Lt. Morris recently had five months service in Africa and Italy. He formerly taught in the Blooming Grove and Embhouse schools.

Lt. Ralph M. Benson, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Benson of Corsicana, regularly stationed at the Carlisle, Army Air Field, Carlisle, N. M., has been selected to attend a course of instruction at Bryan, Texas. This school is part of the intensive training being carried on by the army air forces.

Pfc. Billy Jones is visiting his mother, Lillie, here, and sister, Mrs. H. T. Wilson. A graduate of the IOOF Home School, he has been stationed overseas for the past three years. At the conclusion of his furlough Jones will report to a California station for reassignment.

Pvt. Leon C. Levy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Moise Levy, Corsicana, has been assigned to the army specialized training program at Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y., where he is studying basic engineering. Pvt. Levy is a graduate of the Corsicana senior high school.

Robert Lee King, 18, son of Ben Raymond King, Purdon, Route 1, has arrived at Camp Wolters to begin his basic training as an infantryman. He has been assigned to a battalion training rifle.

Boyce Martin Jr. received a letter from his nephew, Lt. Col. J. Frank Lumsden, U. S. Army, Mediterranean area, acknowledging receipt of a clipping relative to the death of Col. Lumsden's former coach at Corsicana High, Lt. John A. Pierce. The letter also stated that a former Corsicana, Lt. Robert Lloyd Kerr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kerr of Dallas, formerly of Corsicana, is in Lumsden's group. There are a number of other Texans in that area with the Air Forces stationed in Sicily.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Werner will be joined in Dallas on Sunday by their son, Sam, Jr., of Mt. Pleasant, for a holiday visit in the home of Mrs. Werner's sister, Mrs. C. K. Cates, and family.

Navarro County Woman's Missionary Society Met Dec. 14

"Believers' Attitude Toward Christ" was the theme of the program presented by the Navarro County Woman's Missionary Society at the Missionary Baptist church of Corsicana on Tuesday, December 14th.

The program opened with two songs, led by Mrs. T. R. Vaughn with Mrs. Burns at the piano, and prayer by Mrs. Wilson.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Goodin of Navarro, who read Luke 2:10-14; Mrs. Claude Melton of Pleasant Grove, who read Mal. 3:16, Luke 24:15, and Matthew 18:20; Mrs. Eudithaugh of Black Hills who read Luke 10:39, Luke 8:25, and Mrs. Garland of Corsicana who read Phil. 4:17, and John 14:27.

Rev. A. L. Meador brought the 11 o'clock message, taking as his subject "Foundation of the Christian Hope" and reading from 1st John, 3rd chapter, and 1st Thess. 4th chapter.

The morning service was concluded with a collection for State and Interstate missions which resulted in \$10.97 being added to the coffers of these projects.

Following lunch, the afternoon service was opened with a prayer by Mr. Belle, Mrs. Keller of Petty's Chapel read 1st John, 5:20; Trent of Rural Shade read Acts 5:31; Mrs. Pevehouse of fairview read Luke 8:40. A business session followed the program.

The next meeting will be held at Petty's Chapel in March. The meeting was dismissed with benediction by Mrs. T. R. Vaughn, president.

Mildred H.D. Club Had Christmas Party

The Mildred Home Demonstration Club enjoyed a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. J. E. Gilmore on Wednesday afternoon. Games and contests provided diversion, and prizes were won by Mesdames Joe Thomas and M. Sirman.

The exchange of Christmas gifts was an enjoyable feature of the party, and Wayne Cullett and Mary Ann Worthington sang Christmas songs. Refreshments of chicken salad, pickles, olives, crackers, and fruit cake topped with whipped cream climaxed the afternoon for members and the following guests: Mesdames Guy Buck, George Owen and B. Vinson.

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FOR SALE—Full blood bronze baby beef turkeys, Toms \$10 and \$12. Hens \$8. At farm, Purdon, Texas. Phone 17-93. MRS. EARL DAWSON.

Legal Notice

NOTICE
All accounts owing to Dr. E. P. Norwood, now deceased, have been turned to the Norwood Collecting Agency, 1437 West Park Ave., Corsicana, for collection. MRS. E. P. NORWOOD, Administrator.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING
The annual meeting of the shareholders of the First State Bank, Rice, Tex., will be held in its office in Rice, Texas on Monday, January 3, 1944, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of electing directors and officers for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

A. C. HERVEY, Cashier.

SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Powell State Bank of Purdon, Texas, will be held at the office of said bank on Thursday, January 19, 1944, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and to transact any other business that might come before the meeting.

H. H. HANKS, Cashier.

SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of Richmond, Texas, will be held at the office of said bank on Tuesday, January 11, 1944, at 9 a.m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and to transact any other business that might come before the meeting.

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Announcements

Lost or Strayed 3

STRAYED—Red heifer yearling, white face with 3 small red spots, mules; about 200 pounds. Left about 2 weeks ago. \$5 reward. JIM HARDIN, Purdon. Mail address Purdon, Route 1.

LOST—Red snuff colored rood puppy, 12 months old, white ring around neck. Sands tattooed in left ear. Finder notify C. C. SANDS, Phone 1007-3.

STRAYED—2 mules, one is black mare mule, other mare mule and mare mule. One has rope cut on hip. Left from Purdon, Nov. 20th. Notify R. U. FOSTER, Phone 1007-3.

LOST—Tuesday between Providence and Corsicana, spare tire, one U. S. Royal mounted on red wheel. No. 5-482393. Notify MRS. NANNIE BRYAN, Route 1, Eureka.

STRAYED—Pair of old smooth mouth mules and one black, other light bay. Both mare mules. Wednesday night. Notify BLAKE THOMPSON, Barry, Texas. Route 2.

WILL THE PARTY who got my piano from O. S. Rich please return same at 1215 West 10th St. A. PERKINS, Corsicana, Route 1.

STRAYED—Four mules, 3 are horse mules, one gray and one mare mule. Notify MRS. NANNIE BRYAN, Route 1, Eureka. Reward.

STRAYED—From my farm five miles out on Brans road, one dark colored year old mare mule with fresh collar on both lower shoulders. Please notify M. M. ROUGHTON, Corsicana, Texas. Rt. 1.

Wanted 7
WANTED to buy your used tractor, one way and mold board plows. Write, give description and price. J. A. MAYFIELD, 2214 Johnston Street, Greenville, Texas.

WANTED to rent a one tractor crop on the third and fourth, must be suitable for 15 to 20 acres. Write JIM WILLIAMS (colored), Route 1, Barry, Texas.

WANTED to rent farm that has a good pasture, will pay money rent. Phone 1700 Corsicana.

WANTED TO BUY a BR new. Bring to 110 West 12th avenue mornings. Phone 2113-J.

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Employment

Situations Wanted 20

WANTED—Job on farm by married man with 3 children. ORAN FOLLIS, Purdon, Texas, Route 1.

Livestock for Sale 27

FOR SALE—Mares with colts, pair of work horses, 4 young horses 1, 2, 3 and 4 years old, or will trade for sheep. Call at 1427 West 1st avenue. MRS. KATE BARTON, 934 West 4th avenue. Phone 1169-J.

TWO smooth mouth milks for sale. Call JIM SKINNER. Phone 1094.

FOR SALE—2 three year old mules, both for \$175. See me 1-4 miles east of Purdon, Texas. CALVIN GANZE, Purdon, Texas, Route 1.

FOR SALE—Mules and horses, or will

SALE OF COUNTY FARM IS ORDERED BY COMMISSIONERS

COURT HEARS PROTESTS—DECIDES TO SELL PROPERTY DEC. 30

Navarro county commissioners court Friday morning opened bids for the sale of the county farm in the Petty's Chapel community but did not sell the properties. Representatives of the welfare, Red Cross, crippled children, and other organizations protested the sale of the farm, pointing out that it could be used in the future for projects in which they were interested.

Sale Farm Ordered.
An order was passed on motion of Commissioner Louis Seale, seconded by Commissioner Jim Taylor, that Commissioner Drew Gillen be appointed commissioner of sale to sell at public auction of the courthouse steps, Dec. 30, 1943, at 2 p. m., the county farm for not less than \$95 per acre. The funds derived from the sale will be invested in war bonds.

Two bids were received, one from M. E. Lake of Corsicana, \$91 per acre—aggregating \$7,236.95, and the other from G. W. Watkins, Corsicana Route 2, for \$5,101. Commissioner Gillen, on motion, said he had a motion to sell the farm to Lake, but it died for the want of a second, other commissioners saying they believed the property should bring more money.

Says Farm Needed.
Mrs. W. K. Steele said the farm site is needed now and after the war, but that her group did not have any plans for the present. She said it was hoped to get funds from charity organizations and requested the farm not be sold.

Dean Wood, public welfare officer, cited cases needing such a place for those mentally and physically unable to care for themselves. Members of the court said that efforts to get aid for aged persons on the farm had been turned down by the legal department of the welfare organization. Mrs. A. E. Haslam of the Red Cross said it might be needed for ex-soldiers. Mrs. H. G. Brown of the Crippled Children organization said that it would be an ideal site for a convalescent home for crippled children.

Want Place for Sick.
Miss Ross of the old age assistance group said that persons getting old age assistance needed a place when they were ill and unable to care for themselves. Mrs. Steele pointed out that Miss Augusta Helm of the United Methodist church, and Mrs. J. W. McAdams of the Corsicana-Navarro County Health unit, favored the keeping of the farm but were unable to be present. She also said that it would make an ideal summer camp for underprivileged children.

Commissioner Gillen said that it was run down and that the purpose was a county farm, and that the rebuilding or repairing of the plant would be unsuccessful. Gillen said that the old age assistance plan had not aided persons on the farm. Judge McCormick said the farm had cost Navarro county between \$3,000 and \$4,000 annually, benefiting only a few people.

Mrs. Steele asked that the matter be held up until the organization have a chance to work out a plan to get the property for the varied programs mentioned.

Christmas Rush Local Post Office

Mail through the Corsicana post office continues unusually heavy, according to G. C. Hudson, acting postmaster, but is being dispatched as fast as possible. There are twelve extra carriers on duty in addition to the regular force to handle the Yuletide rush.

Bumper Corn Crop.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The agriculture department reported today that this year's bumper corn crop totals 3,076,159,000 bushels and the country's wheat crop is 336,298,000 bushels.

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NUMBER OF TEXANS REPORTED AS WAR PRISONERS OF JAPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(AP)—The war department made public today the names of 28 Texans, United States army personnel, who are held as prisoners of war by Japan. The total of 112 names on the list included eleven army nurses, none of whom are Texans.

Texan prisoners are: Mrs. Carmen G. Arroyo, mother, Sinton. Bailey, Pvt. Jack W.—Mrs. Katherine Elizabeth Bailey, mother, Star Route, Kress. Barre, Sec. Lt. Agnes D.—Dr. R. Finehour, guardian, Victoria. Bowley, Pvt. Raymond J.—Aunt Cornelia Bowley, father, Plainview.

Chapman, Pvt. William F.—William Fred Chapman, father, Jackboro. Cole, Pvt. Joseph B.—Mrs. Ruby Gentry Cole, mother, 3006 20th street, Lubbock.

Crabb, Cpl. William E.—Mrs. Mary Crabb, mother, Talco. Derrick, Pvt. Cecil L.—James Lawson Derrick, father, Mineral Wells.

Dove, Pvt. Miley D.—Mrs. Miley Dove, wife, Talco. Garcia, Pvt. Pedro—Mrs. Sara Garcia, mother, Cotulla. Harris, Pvt. DeWitt D.—Amos Harris, father, Willis Point.

Lamb, Pvt. Floyd E.—Mrs. Flora Dell Lamb, mother, 218 West 2nd street, Plainview. Landin, Pvt. Mariano D., Jr.—Mariano D. Landin, Sr., father, Sinton.

Lawley, Pvt. George P.—Mrs. Rachael A. Lawley, mother, Penwell. Ledbetter, Pvt. Jimmie J.—Oscar Ledbetter, father, Vineyard.

Lloyd, Sgt. Dewey H.—Arnett Lloyd, father, Route 3, Rusk. Loveless, Pfc. Alvis O.—Mrs. Lillie V. Loveless, mother, Mount Vernon.

McCoy, Sgt. Hugh B. Monroe Jefferson McCoy, father, Abert. Morris, Sgt. Embury T.—Mrs. Cynthia Ann Morris, mother, Deatur.

Morris, Pfc. James R.—Mrs. Annie E. Morris, mother, 2906 Avenue B, Lubbock. Ogle, Pvt. Ray—Dave M. Ogle, father, Jackboro.

Ray, Pvt. George F. Jr.—Mrs. Margaret Ray, mother, Route 1, Egbert. Ross, Pvt. John F.—Casper P. Ross, father, Willis Point.

Wright, Pvt. Houston T.—Mrs. W. L. Wright, mother, 1427 Euclid Drive, Corpus Christi.

ITALIAN

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A 200-foot wide road of Abruzzi, while Capt. Frank J. (Spot) Collins, Breckenridge, Texas, a former University of Texas football star, staged a one-man aerial attack on enemy communications.

For half an hour Collins raced over northern Italy at low altitude strafing airdromes, motor convoys and rail trains. "I saw my tracers entering a JU-52 transport as it was getting ready to take off," said Collins. "I was going too fast to look back so I circled and came back again. It was on fire all right."

San Pietro marked an important victory in the march up the road to Rome.

Capture of the shattered town opened the way to the Liri Valley, and the doughboys struck ahead, threatening San Vittorino six miles from the Germans winter line of Cassino.

Advance Beyond San Pietro.
The allied Sunday communique said the Fifth Army men had advanced a mile beyond San Pietro. Further northeast, other American units captured San Cesario, on a 2,000-foot ridge three miles northwest of Filignano.

Allied pincers clamped tighter on a large portion of the Cassino-Rome highway, with one arm taking San Pietro, and the other attacking strong Nazi positions on Mt. Lungo, south of the Rome road. Italian troops again have joined in assaults on Mt. Lungo, headquarters said.

British Eighth Army troops on the Adriatic flank seized Poggio Fiorito, eight miles southwest of Ortona and four miles northeast of Ortona, and improved their positions all along the Ortona-Ortona road.

San Pietro fell on Saturday, and Associated Press Correspondent Don Whitehead at the scene declared that none of the battles in Italy had taken so many American lives. He termed it one of the "bloodiest, bitterest and toughest battles of World War II" for U. S. troops.

Casualties "Moderate."
A headquarters officer, however, said Fifth Army dispatches had reported "moderate" American casualties, while German losses were heavy.

Meanwhile, American Liberators accompanied by Lightnings, invaded the pre-Hitler borders of Germany from the south for the first time to strike at Augsburg, northwest of Munich, slapping heavy bombs down on their targets through an overcast.

Flying Fortresses in a companion stab to this longest flight operation yet from Western Mediterranean bases, hit Innsbruck in a repeat blow at Germany's Brenner Pass communications with Italy.

Approximately 100 German fighters challenged the American fighters over Southern Germany, Austria and the Alps in heavy battles, and the bomber-gunners and fighter escorts shot down 37 of them. Altogether 43 Nazi planes were destroyed yesterday.

Sixteen American planes failed to return from these raids and others over Italy.



OFFICIAL UNIFORM.—L. A. Labe, senior civilian instructor, Corsicana Field, Air Activities of Texas, Inc., is pictured above wearing the new uniform the Army Air Forces has approved for civilians who give primary flight training to AAF Cadets. It is a neat tan with a double breasted navy-cut coat, made of cloth used in officers' uniforms with a distinctive insignia. This official uniform is expected to eliminate the confusion that existed in the past. Concerning civilian flight instructors Earl D. Prudden in the magazine FLYING said: "Flight instruction is intense, exhausting work. Probably the instructors feel an occasional twinge of regret that they couldn't get in on the more exciting combat flying. However, this has not affected their keenness for their jobs. Since they realize that they're playing a strategic roll in the war effort, they really work hard with every student they instruct. * * * Every civilian primary instructor turns out an average of 25 prospective AAF pilots a year. That's why the Army does everything in its power to encourage the instructors to stay in their part in the war at their present posts. Consequently the instructor he given a distinctive uniform, because of the recognition it would give the vital war work these men are doing."

Courthouse News

District Court.

George Waters vs. Elizabeth Waters, divorce granted.

R. L. Cook vs. Mary Ann Cook, divorce granted.

Fred Brown vs. Sallie Brown, divorce granted.

Charles R. Driver vs. Della Mae Driver, divorce granted.

This week is non-jury and final week of the October term of court and Judge A. P. Mays will conclude the term Saturday night.

District Clerk's Office.
Bessie Spence vs. Vernon Spence, divorce.

Probate Court.
Judge E. D. McCormick was busy with probate matters Monday.

Sheriff's Office.
Two cars were reported stolen in Palestine Thursday night. One was transferred to the county on a theft charge from the city police.

The Bruner Chevrolet Company was burglarized Sunday night in Kerens and 13 tires were missed. Entrance was effected by "jimmying" the front door. The lost appliances were found in the car.

Automobile, Sheriff Cap Curington reported Monday. There were 11 600x16 tires and two 32x6 tires in the loss.

Two delinquent children were taken into custody during the week end.

Sheriff Cap Curington planned to attend a FBI meeting in Palestine Monday afternoon.

County Court.
W. M. Hanks entered a plea of guilty Thursday to a charge of swindling with a worthless check and was fined \$1 and costs by E. D. McCormick, county judge.

Marriage License.
Ralph C. Holland and Lela Madge Highmore.

Robert Franklin Sheets and Roberta Kathryn Davidson.

Noel Douglas Pate and Evalene Dyer.

Warranty Deeds.
W. E. Umberson et al. to Lella Catlin, 41 acres of the J. L. Bennett and H. Wright surveys in Navarro and Freestone counties. \$100 and other considerations.

L. S. Hosch, et ux. to Arthur E. Allen, 2 acres of the Thomas Pratt survey. \$500 and other considerations.

R. H. Durham, et al. to John Watkins et ux, part of Lots 1 and 2, block 103, Corsicana. \$800.

W. L. Kelly, et ux. to Willie Caruthers, 5 acres of the E. S. Cabler survey. \$200.

The John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company to Weck M. Brown, et ux. 238 acres of the William K. Delton survey. \$5,700.

The Union Central Life Insurance Company to Cecil Putman, 223 acres T. P. Sheppard survey. \$7,900.

L. H. Carroll to Leah Martin, a lot 70x150 feet in A. Shelton survey, one mile south of Kerens. \$50.

C. A. Middleton et al. to Eliza-

NEGRO GIVEN DEATH ON CHARGE RAPING GIRL NEAR TIOGA

DENTON, Dec. 18.—(AP)—A district court jury which deliberated for eight minutes yesterday convicted Allen Murray, 30-year old negro, of rape and gave him the death penalty in connection with an assault on John Dunaway, 17, Longview, and his 17-year old girl companion near Tioga Nov. 28.

Defenses counsel asked the court for two days in which to file motion for a new trial for Murray, who was turned over to Texas Rangers following the verdict. The jury received the case after both state and defense counsel agreed that the negro had been found insane in Oklahoma July 10. Under that agreement, Murray's plea of guilty was ordered changed to that of innocent.

Murray, accused of stabbing Dunaway and raping his companion, was tried first on the rape indictment. Indictments charging him with robbery with firearms and assault with intent to murder are pending.

Trial testimony included that of Dr. M. L. Hutcheson, county health officer, who talked to Murray the day of his arrest and said he believed the negro to be of sound mind, and also that of the girl, who told the court the negro stabbed Dunaway, hit her in the face with a pistol and raped her, during the several hours in which the couple was held captive.

Thirty Fathers Reporting Duty Armed Services

Thirty fathers are included in the list of selectees accepted for the army, navy and marine corps, reporting for active duty this week, from Navarro county draft board No. 1, it was revealed Monday afternoon.

Selectees going to Camp Wolters for induction in the army include: Claude A. Pollock, Wise Wilkie Swetston, Walter Vernon Knight, Kenneth Alvin May, James Maurine Locke, Fred Richards, Albert Hernandez, Odie Eloy Owen, Eualio Vivial Costello.

Persons sent to the navy following Nov. 29 examinations include: Elva Nelson Nugent, Jack Abbie, James Monroe Richard, Sidney Basil Monroe, Merrill Edward Brown, Herman Neal Donaho, Arthur Kirven Harris, Jr., William Thomas Stokes Jr.

Those inducted into the army reserve at Corsicana Field, Air Activities of Texas, are Leon Cold, William Ransom Binford, Calvin Lee Armstrong, Thomas Hardin Saffold, Sylvester Goodwin Thompson, Jr., Chalmers Charles Seidel, Loyd Frederick Cormier, James Francis Enkling, Hilary James Smith, Miles Elliot Napier and Roger Mason Johnston.

Those examined in Dallas Dec. 11 and who went to the navy Monday, included Clifton Fread,

Beth Spencer Ramsey, a lot 60x202 and other considerations. E. E. Williamson et ux to the First National Bank of Kerens, Texas, lots 2 and 3, block 100, Kerens. \$1,500.

Mrs. Mildred Dillard et vir to Mamie L. Hale, lots 13 and 14, block 4, Blooming Grove. \$250.

C. A. Middleton et al. to Elizabeth Spencer Ramsey, lots 12, 13 and 14, block 336, and lots 1, 2 and 3, block 369, Corsicana. \$10 and other considerations.

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RECEIVES MEDAL.—Pvt. Simpson I. Russell, U. S. Army, somewhere in the Pacific, recently was awarded a good conduct medal for active military service. He entered the armed forces Nov. 6, 1942. His wife, Mrs. Bessie Russell, resides at Roane, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Russell, reside at 712 North Thirteenth street, Corsicana. A brother, Pvt. Buford Russell, U. S. Army Engineers, has been on active duty in the Aleutian Islands for the past 17 months.

PIONEER MERCHANT OF FROST BURIED FRIDAY AFTERNOON

FROST, Dec. 20.—(Spl.)—Funeral services for Y. H. Greer, pioneer merchant here, were held from the Frost Baptist church Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Burial was in the Frost cemetery. Mr. Greer became ill Tuesday and died in the Navarro Clinic in Corsicana Thursday night.

Surviving are two sisters, Miss Louisa Greer and Mrs. Allie Strain, both of Frost, and a number of other relatives.

McCormick Funeral Service directed.

Francis Marion Taylor, Horace Orbray Valentine, George William Blood, Jr., Robbie Lee Davis, Robert Clay Harwell, Melvin Chesley Kitchin, Luther Irvine Robinson, George Andrew Wiley Capps.

Oscar Pendleton Holman, Albert Troy Tucker, Orval Causey, Travis Franklin Bullock, Amos Franklin Hart, Jose Carmen Castillo, Leo Nelson, Robert Henry Peacock, Millard Cortez Harding, Edward Burnett Salvers, Clint Richard Sloan, Jr., Glyn Ray Bailey, Stanley Lewis Yarbrough.

Charles Henry Reed, Robert Dalton Martin, Norman Lynd Tackett, Lawrence Henry Boyte, Newton Darwood Garrett, Billy Clark, Butler Wesley Lee Sharp, and John Melvin Long.

Marine Corps—Thomas Edward Kinnemore, Thomas Jackson Price, Joe Howell DeMoss and Johnny Braxmier.

Those inducted into the army reserve at Corsicana Field, Air Activities of Texas, are Leon Cold, William Ransom Binford, Calvin Lee Armstrong, Thomas Hardin Saffold, Sylvester Goodwin Thompson, Jr., Chalmers Charles Seidel, Loyd Frederick Cormier, James Francis Enkling, Hilary James Smith, Miles Elliot Napier and Roger Mason Johnston.

Those examined in Dallas Dec. 11 and who went to the navy Monday, included Clifton Fread,

Beth Spencer Ramsey, a lot 60x202 and other considerations. E. E. Williamson et ux to the First National Bank of Kerens, Texas, lots 2 and 3, block 100, Kerens. \$1,500.

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COMPLIANCE CHECKS FOR \$55,728.20 ARE SENT TO FARMERS

A total of \$55,728.20 has been received thus far by Navarro county farmers for 1943 compliance with the AAA conservation program, according to an announcement Saturday by Edmund D. Dillard, secretary. This represents 978 checks sent directly to the producers. Only the report of the payments is received at the AAA office.

Dillard said that in 1942 a total of \$400,595.16 was received by Navarro countians and he estimated that the 1943 total would aggregate as much or possibly surpass the 1942 total.

Capt. Clem Crowley Of Kerens Reported Back in States

Capt. Clem N. Crowley of Kerens, U. S. Army Air Forces, has returned to the States after participating in many missions in the Mediterranean theater of war with a group of 44 Texans, it was learned here with a USAAF Warhawk group.

Dillard said that more than 1,100 medium bombers over Pantelleria, Sicilian and Sardinian targets without the loss of a single bomber due to enemy aircraft action, making 100 missions and being credited with shooting down 102 enemy planes.

In one raid, 20 Warhawks shot down 21 opposing planes over Sardinia and on another occasion, 25 enemy planes attacked the group with the result that 17 of the attackers were destroyed.

Dr. A. W. Rogers Attended Banquet At Teague Friday

Dr. A. W. Rogers of Corsicana was a guest at Teague Friday evening at a banquet when Dr. W. P. Harrison of Teague was awarded the Boyd Cup for outstanding citizenship. Dr. Harrison is a member of the State Board of Health. The Boyd Cup is presented by Bill Boyd, the first mayor of Teague, now president of the American Petroleum Institute in New York and Washington.

SABOTAGE
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An intelligence officer said that the plot was discovered by a civilian informant of the corps, who wrote a note in imperfect English to the effect that the group had prepared an armed revolution for Oct. 28, that it possessed large stores of arms and war material and had been in contact with fascists by wireless.

The American agents conducted an extensive investigation and afterwards arrested Grammatico, Maria D'Al and 26 others, but 12 were later paroled for lack of evidence. Some of the accused carried copies of radio speeches by Adolf Hitler.

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